

Tense Timeline

Past, Now, Future - which tense fits when?

Name: _____

Date: _____

PAST <i>(it already happened)</i>	NOW <i>(it is happening)</i>	FUTURE <i>(it will happen)</i>
<p>I walked to school. She ate her lunch. They played outside.</p>	<p>I am walking. She is eating. They are playing.</p>	<p>I will walk. She will eat. They will play.</p>
<p><i>Signal words:</i> yesterday, last week, ago, before</p>	<p><i>Signal words:</i> now, today, this minute</p>	<p><i>Signal words:</i> tomorrow, next week, soon, later</p>

Your Turn

Write one sentence in each tense. Use a different verb if you like.

PAST	Yesterday I _____
NOW	Right now I _____
FUTURE	Tomorrow I _____

The Past-Tense Tip: Most past-tense verbs end in **-ed** (walked, jumped, played). But some are **IRREGULAR** (went, ate, saw). Use the flashcards on the next pages to learn them.

Irregular Verb Flashcards (Set 1)

Cut along the lines. Use them to test yourself - cover the past form and try to remember it.

go becomes went	eat becomes ate	see becomes saw	run becomes ran
take becomes took	do becomes did	have becomes had	make becomes made
get becomes got	give becomes gave	know becomes knew	think becomes thought

Irregular Verb Flashcards (Set 2)

Cut along the lines. Use them to test yourself - cover the past form and try to remember it.

find becomes found	come becomes came	write becomes wrote	say becomes said
tell becomes told	leave becomes left	feel becomes felt	bring becomes brought
buy becomes bought	catch becomes caught	teach becomes taught	sleep becomes slept