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PRESENT CONTINUOUS

<b>Form</b>	am, is, or are + verb + ing
<b>Use</b>	actions happening now, at the moment of speaking.
<b>Signal words</b>	now, at the moment, still, Look! Listen!...

**EXERCISE 1** Find the signal words for present continuous.

- Which is a signal word for present continuous?  
last – now – every night
- Which is **not** a signal word for present continuous?  
now - already - still

**EXERCISE 2** Put these verbs in present continuous.

- They / play                     $\dashrightarrow$  \_\_\_\_\_
- Sara and Leila/ dance     $\dashrightarrow$  \_\_\_\_\_
- I/ not, speak                 $\dashrightarrow$  \_\_\_\_\_
- He/ to sing                      $\dashrightarrow$  \_\_\_\_\_
- David / not, to write         $\dashrightarrow$  \_\_\_\_\_

**EXERCISE 3** Put the following verbs in the correct tense.

- Now, it (rain) \_\_\_\_\_ heavily outside.
- She (not, speak) \_\_\_\_\_ French at the moment.
- Many people (still, fight) \_\_\_\_\_ against poverty in Africa.
- Mark's children (to play) \_\_\_\_\_ video games at the moment.
- (Sandra, to do) \_\_\_\_\_ her homework now?

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PAST CONTINUOUS

<b>Form</b>	was or were + verb + ing
<b>Use</b>	For actions which were in progress in the past.
<b>Signal words</b>	when, while + long action in the past

**EXERCISE 1** Find the signal words for past continuous.

- Which is a signal word for past continuous?  
while - by next week - tomorrow
- Which is **not** a signal word for past continuous?  
next week – when - while

**EXERCISE 2** Put these verbs in past continuous.

- She/ watch                     $\dashrightarrow$  \_\_\_\_\_
- They/ to play                  $\dashrightarrow$  \_\_\_\_\_
- It/ rain                          $\dashrightarrow$  \_\_\_\_\_
- Many students/ to work     $\dashrightarrow$  \_\_\_\_\_
- He/ not, to drive              $\dashrightarrow$  \_\_\_\_\_

**EXERCISE 3** Put the following verbs in the correct tense.

- Barbara (to do) \_\_\_\_\_ her homework yesterday when I came in.
- When I (write) \_\_\_\_\_ the E-mail last time, Mary (to watch) \_\_\_\_\_ TV.
- I saw my teacher yesterday when I (wait) \_\_\_\_\_ for the bus.
- When Sandra (arrive) \_\_\_\_\_ home yesterday, her father (not, to cook) \_\_\_\_\_ lunch.
- (Your brother, to play) \_\_\_\_\_ the game when the computer crashed down?

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PRESENT PERFECT

<b>Form</b>	have or has + Past Participle
<b>Use</b>	For actions which started in the past and continued up to the present.
<b>Signal words</b>	just, already, yet, for, since, so far, recently, ever...

NB. We use Present Perfect Continuous (have/has+ been + verb +ing) to give more emphasis on the duration of the action. However, some verbs can't be used in the continuous form such as own, smell, need, belong, cost, agree, contain..., etc.

**EXERCISE 1** Find the signal words for present perfect.

- Which is a signal word for present perfect?  
still – usually – since
- Which is **not** a signal word for present perfect?  
since – before – for

**EXERCISE 2** Put these verbs in present perfect.

- They/ to do                     $\dashrightarrow$  \_\_\_\_\_
- Jack / to publish              $\dashrightarrow$  \_\_\_\_\_
- He/ not, to have               $\dashrightarrow$  \_\_\_\_\_
- She/ to study                  $\dashrightarrow$  \_\_\_\_\_
- Mike and Lina / to have     $\dashrightarrow$  \_\_\_\_\_

**EXERCISE 3** Put the following verbs in the correct tense.

- He (just, phone) \_\_\_\_\_ Sabrina; she is in Chicago now.
- I (buy, recently) \_\_\_\_\_ a laptop to Louis.
- The maid (not, cook) \_\_\_\_\_ the dinner yet.
- She (drive) \_\_\_\_\_ this car for two hours.
- He (to be) \_\_\_\_\_ in prison since 2003.
- (you, ever, read) \_\_\_\_\_ Hemingway's novels?

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PAST PERFECT

<b>Form</b>	had + Past Participle 2 actions in the past 1st action → Past Perfect 2nd action → Simple Past
<b>Use</b>	For actions which happened before the other one in the past.
<b>Signal words</b>	before, after, already, when, never.. as soon as, until...

**EXERCISE 1** Find the signal words for past perfect .

- Which is a signal word for past perfect?  
last week - after - now
- Which is **not** a signal word for past perfect?  
at the moment – after- already

**EXERCISE 2** Find the past perfect to these verbs.

- come → \_\_\_\_\_
- not, have → \_\_\_\_\_
- see → \_\_\_\_\_
- play → \_\_\_\_\_
- cut → \_\_\_\_\_

**EXERCISE 3** Put the following verbs in the correct tense.

- Before Randa (to take) \_\_\_\_\_ the test exam yesterday, she (memorize) \_\_\_\_\_ irregular verbs.
- After she (to do) \_\_\_\_\_ her homework last night, she (go) \_\_\_\_\_ to bed.
- When I (arrive) \_\_\_\_\_ home yesterday, the film (already, start) \_\_\_\_\_ .
- Last time, I (feel) \_\_\_\_\_ stressed because I (never, take) \_\_\_\_\_ the IELTS Test before.
- Jonny (get) \_\_\_\_\_ the job after he (graduate) \_\_\_\_\_ from Oxford university.

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SIMPLE FUTURE

<b>Form</b>	will + verb
<b>Use</b>	For actions which will occur in the future.
<b>Signal words</b>	next, tomorrow, soon, later,..

**EXERCISE 1** Find the signal words for simple future.

- Which is a signal word for simple future?  
already - next week- in 2017
- Which is **not** a signal word for simple future?  
by tomorrow – tomorrow- soon

**EXERCISE 2** Find the simple future to the following verbs.

- to work → \_\_\_\_\_
- to play → \_\_\_\_\_
- to speak → \_\_\_\_\_
- not, to come → \_\_\_\_\_
- to enjoy → \_\_\_\_\_

**EXERCISE 3** Put the following verbs in the correct tense.

- I (to travel) \_\_\_\_\_ around the world next summer holiday.
- The boss (not, to meet) \_\_\_\_\_ you tomorrow; he's busy.
- Alberto (marry) \_\_\_\_\_ Helen next month.
- The Smiths (not, to be) \_\_\_\_\_ in England next January.
- (James, attend) \_\_\_\_\_ the conference tomorrow?

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FUTURE PERFECT

<b>Form</b>	will have + Past Participle
<b>Use</b>	For actions that will be finished before some point in the future, also to express certainty that an action was completed.
<b>Signal words</b>	by....., in.....time

**EXERCISE 1** Find the signal words for future perfect.

- Which is a signal word for future perfect?  
tomorrow- in two days' time – next week-
- Which is **not** a signal word for future perfect?  
already – by ... – in three weeks' time

**EXERCISE 2** Put these verbs in future perfect.

- to go → \_\_\_\_\_
- to play → \_\_\_\_\_
- to do → \_\_\_\_\_
- to visit → \_\_\_\_\_
- to enjoy → \_\_\_\_\_

**EXERCISE 3** Put the following verbs in the correct tense.

- By 9 O'clock, many students (finish) \_\_\_\_\_ doing their exercises.
- In two days' time, we (go) \_\_\_\_\_ back home.
- My brother (to return) \_\_\_\_\_ from the trip by 7 O'clock.
- By November, we (buy) \_\_\_\_\_ a new apartment in Paris.
- By the end of next year, we (study) \_\_\_\_\_ English for three years.

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Past Perfect, Past Perfect Continuous & Future Perfect

**Past Perfect Simple:**

- Form: 1<sup>st</sup> action → Past perfect = had + Past Participle    2<sup>nd</sup> action → Simple past = (ed/list)
- Signal words: before, after, already, when, never, as soon as, .....

**Exercise** Put the following verbs in the correct tense.

1. My friends (to eat) \_\_\_\_\_ everything before I (join) \_\_\_\_\_ them yesterday.
2. After he (have) \_\_\_\_\_ a shower last night, we (go out) \_\_\_\_\_ with Laura.
3. When I (arrive) \_\_\_\_\_ at the cinema, the film (already, start) \_\_\_\_\_.
4. Sara and Peter (know) \_\_\_\_\_ each other for three years before they (get) \_\_\_\_\_ married.
5. She (to phone) \_\_\_\_\_ her friend before she (to go) \_\_\_\_\_ to New York yesterday.
6. As soon as he (finish) \_\_\_\_\_ his education in Paris in 2009, he (return) \_\_\_\_\_ to Morocco.

**Past Perfect Continuous:**

- Form: Past perfect continuous = had been + verb + ing (here more emphasis is put on the duration of the action.)
- Signal words: before, after, when, because, all day, for.....

NB. Some verbs can't be used in the continuous form such as own, smell, need, belong, cost, agree, contain...etc.

**Exercise** Put the following verbs in the correct tense.

1. The police (look for) \_\_\_\_\_ the thief for 10 days before they (catch) \_\_\_\_\_ him.
2. She (to be) \_\_\_\_\_ tired because she (work) \_\_\_\_\_ all day.
3. She (drive) \_\_\_\_\_ for a couple of hours before she (have) \_\_\_\_\_ the accident.
4. He (to work) \_\_\_\_\_ on the project for three hours before the boss (come in) \_\_\_\_\_.
5. They (play) \_\_\_\_\_ for two hours when it (begin) \_\_\_\_\_ to rain.
6. I (feel) \_\_\_\_\_ tired yesterday because I (to drive) \_\_\_\_\_ all night.

**Future Perfect:**

- Form: Future Perfect = will have + Past Participle (here, the action will be completed at a point in the future)
- Signal words: by.../ in...s' time.....

**Exercise** Put the following verbs in the correct tense.

1. By 8 O'clock tomorrow, she (to do) \_\_\_\_\_ the laundry.
2. The Smiths (visit) \_\_\_\_\_ all Europe by next year.
3. By this time tomorrow, we (finish) \_\_\_\_\_ the project.
4. By 10 O'clock, the kids (fall) \_\_\_\_\_ asleep.
5. By next year, Maria (to receive) \_\_\_\_\_ her promotion.
6. The maid (clean) \_\_\_\_\_ the entire house by dinner.
7. Monica and Rosa (to begin) \_\_\_\_\_ working by this time tomorrow morning.
8. By Sunday, you (do) \_\_\_\_\_ all the homework.
9. In three days' time, the school (receive) \_\_\_\_\_ prizes.
10. In five minutes' time, they (to leave) \_\_\_\_\_ the classroom.