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USING VERB TENSES IN ENGLISH

There are three main verb tenses in English – Past, Present, and Future. These tenses are then split into different forms: Simple, Continuous, Perfect and Perfect Continuous. Knowing when to correctly use different English verb tenses can be confusing, but here is a useful reference to help you remember.

PAST	PRESENT	FUTURE
PAST SIMPLE I <i>lived</i> in Australia.	PRESENT SIMPLE I <i>live</i> in Australia.	FUTURE SIMPLE I <i>will live</i> in Australia.
PAST CONTINUOUS I <i>was living</i> in Australia.	PRESENT CONTINUOUS I <i>am living</i> in Australia.	FUTURE CONTINUOUS I <i>will be living</i> in Australia.
PAST PERFECT I <i>had lived</i> in Australia.	PRESENT PERFECT I <i>have lived</i> in Australia.	FUTURE PERFECT I <i>will have lived</i> in Australia.
PAST PERFECT CONTINUOUS I <i>had been living</i> in Australia.	PRESENT PERFECT CONTINUOUS I <i>have been living</i> in Australia.	FUTURE PERFECT CONTINUOUS I <i>will have been living</i> in Australia.



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