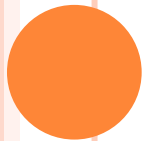


ENGLISH GRAMMAR

Lesson 2



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Verb Tenses Tutorial Exercise 5

Simple Past / Present Perfect

1.A: Did you like the movie "Star Wars"?

B: I don't know. I (see, never) that movie.

2. Sam (arrive) in San Diego a week ago.

3. My best friend and I (know) each other for over fifteen years. We still get together once a week.

4. Stinson is a fantastic writer. He (write) ten very creative short stories in the last year.

One day, he'll be as famous as Hemingway.

5. I (have, not) this much fun since I (be) a kid.

6. Things (change) a great deal at Coltech, Inc. When we first (start) working here three years ago, the company (have, only) six employees. Since then, we (expand)..... to include more than 2000 full-time workers.

7. I (tell) him to stay on the path while he was hiking, but he (wander) off into the forest and (be) bitten by a snake.

8. Listen Donna, I don't care if you (miss) the bus this morning. You (be) late to work too many times. You are fired!

9. Sam is from Colorado, which is hundreds of miles from the coast, so he (see, never) the ocean. He should come with us to Miami.



10. How sad! George (dream) of going to California before died, but he didn't make it. He (see, never) the ocean.

11. In the last hundred years, traveling (become) much easier and very comfortable. In the 19th century, it (take) two or three months to cross North America by covered wagon. The trip (be)very rough and often dangerous. Things (change)..... a great deal in the last hundred and fifty years. Now you can fly from New York to Los Angeles in a matter of hours.

12. Jonny, I can't believe how much you (change)..... since the last time I (see)..... you. You (grow) at least a foot!

13. This tree (be)..... planted by the settlers who (found)..... our city over four hundred years ago.

14. This mountain (be, never) climbed by anyone. Several mountaineers (try) to reach the top, but nobody (succeed, ever) The climb is extremely difficult and many people (die) trying to reach the summit.

15. I (visit, never) Africa, but I (travel) to South America several times. The last time I (go)..... to South America, I (visit) Brazil and Peru. I (spend)..... two weeks in the Amazon, (hike) for a week near Machu Picchu, and (fly) over the Nazca Lines.



Present Perfect Continuous	Present Perfect Simple
<p>for 2 hours (days, weeks, months), since 1967. В течение двух часов (дней, недель, месяцев), с 1967 года.</p> <p>I have been watching the news for two hours. Я два часа смотрю новости.</p> <p>He has been looking for a job since last month and he still hasn't found it. Он ищет работу с прошлого месяца, и до сих пор не нашел.</p>	<p>Already, yet, just, never, ever, still уже, еще/уже, только что, никогда, когда-либо, все еще.</p> <p>He has already written the story, you can read it if you want. Он уже написал рассказ, можешь почитать, если хочешь.</p> <p>Haven't you finished your breakfast yet? Ты еще не закончил завтракать?</p>



Verb Tense Tutorial Exercise 7

Present Perfect / Present Perfect Continuous

1. Robin: I think the waiter (forget) us. We (wait)..... here for over half an hour and nobody (take) our order yet.

Michele: I think you're right. He (walk) by us at least twenty times. He probably thinks we (order, already)

Robin: Look at that couple over there, they (be, only) here for five or ten minutes and they already have their food.

Michele: He must realize we (order, not) yet! We (sit) here for over half an hour staring at him.

Robin: I don't know if he (notice, even) He (run)..... from table to table taking orders and serving food.

Michele: That's true, and he (look, not) in our direction once.



Verb Tense Tutorial Exercise 8

Present Perfect / Present Perfect Continuous

1. A: How long (be) in Canada?

B: I (study) here for more than three years.

2. I (have) the same car for more than ten years. I'm thinking about buying a new one.

3. I (love)chocolate since I was a child. You might even call me a "chocoholic".

4. Matt and Sarah (have) some difficulties in their relationship lately, so they (go) to a marriage counselor. I hope they work everything out.

5. John (work) for the government since he graduated from Harvard University. Until recently, he (enjoy) his work, but now he is talking about retiring.

6. Lately, I (think) about changing my career because I (become) dissatisfied with the conditions at my company.

7. I (see)..... Judy for more than five years and during that time I have (see) many changes in her personality.



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Verb Tense Tutorial Exercise 11

Simple Past / Past Perfect

I can't believe I (get)that apartment. I (submit) my application last week, but I didn't think I had a chance of actually getting it. When I (show) up to take a look around, there were at least twenty other people who (arrive) before me. Most of them (fill, already) out their applications and were already leaving. The landlord said I could still apply, so I did. I (try) to fill out the form, but I couldn't answer half of the questions. They (want) me to include references, but I didn't want to list my previous landlord because I (have) some problems with him and I knew he wouldn't recommend me. I (end) up listing my father as a reference. It was total luck that he (decide) to give me the apartment. It turns out that the landlord and my father (go) to high school together. He decided that I could have the apartment before he (look)at my credit report. I really lucked out!

Verb Tense Tutorial Exercise 12

Simple Past / Present Perfect / Past Perfect

1. When I (arrive) home last night, I discovered that Jane (prepare) a beautiful candle-lit dinner.
2. Since I began acting, I (perform) in two plays, a television commercial and a TV drama. However, I (speak, never even) publicly before I came to Hollywood in 1985.
3. By the time I got to the office, the meeting (begin, already) without me. My boss (be) furious with me and I (be) fired.
4. When I (turn) the radio on yesterday, I (hear) a song that was popular when I was in high school. I (hear, not) the song in years, and it (bring) back some great memories.
5. Last week, I (run) into an ex-girlfriend of mine. We (see, not) each other in years, and both of us (change) a great deal. I (enjoy) talking to her so much that I (ask) her out on a date. We are getting together tonight for dinner.
6. When Jack (enter) the room, I (recognize, not) him because he (lose) so much weight and (grow) a beard. He looked totally different!
7. The Maya established a very advanced civilization in the jungles of the Yucatan; however, their culture (disappear, virtually) by the time Europeans first (arrive) in the New World.



Verb Tense Tutorial Exercise 14

Present Perfect / Past Perfect

Present Perfect Continuous / Past Perfect Continuous

1. It is already 9:30 pm and I (wait)here for over an hour. If John does not get here in the next five minutes, I am going to leave.
2. I was really angry at John yesterday. By the time he finally arrived, I (wait) for over an hour. I almost left without him.
3. Did you hear that Ben was fired last month? He (work) for that import company for more than ten years and he (work)in almost every department. Nobody knew the company like he did.
4. I (see) many pictures of the pyramids before I went to Egypt. Pictures of the monuments are very misleading. The pyramids are actually quite small.
5. Sarah (climb) the Matterhorn, (sail)around the world, and (go) on safari in Kenya. She is such an adventurous person.
6. Sarah (climb) the Matterhorn, (sail)around the world and (go) on safari in Kenya by the time she turned twenty-five. She (experience) more by that age than most people do in their entire lives.
7. When Melanie came into the office yesterday, her eyes were red and watery. I think she (cry)
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Verb Tense Tutorial Exercise 15

Present Continuous / Simple Past

Present Perfect Continuous / Past Perfect Continuous

My English is really getting better. I (try) to learn the language since 1985, but only recently have I been able to make some real progress. By the time I started high school in 1988, I (study) the language for almost three years; however, I was only able to introduce myself and utter a few memorized sentences. For a couple more years, I (struggle)through grammar and vocabulary lessons, which made absolutely no difference. Nothing worked, so I decided to study abroad. I found an exchange program in England that sounded like the perfect answer. I (stay) with a host family for one month. It was a huge disappointment! I (sit) there the whole time staring at the host mother and father hoping that there would be some breakthrough. Nothing. When I returned, I mentioned to a friend that I (have) problems with the language for years. He recommended that I spend a year in an English speaking country. I decided to go abroad again. I (research) exchange programs for a couple of weeks and finally decided on a school in the United States.

Well, it worked. I (live) and (study) in the U.S. for more than two years. I (stay) here for at least another year before I return home. By then, I should be completely fluent.

