

5. Action Words



At the end of this lesson, you shall be able to:

- identify action words
- recognize action words from actions and states of being they indicate
- recognize that action words show the action performed by the naming word.

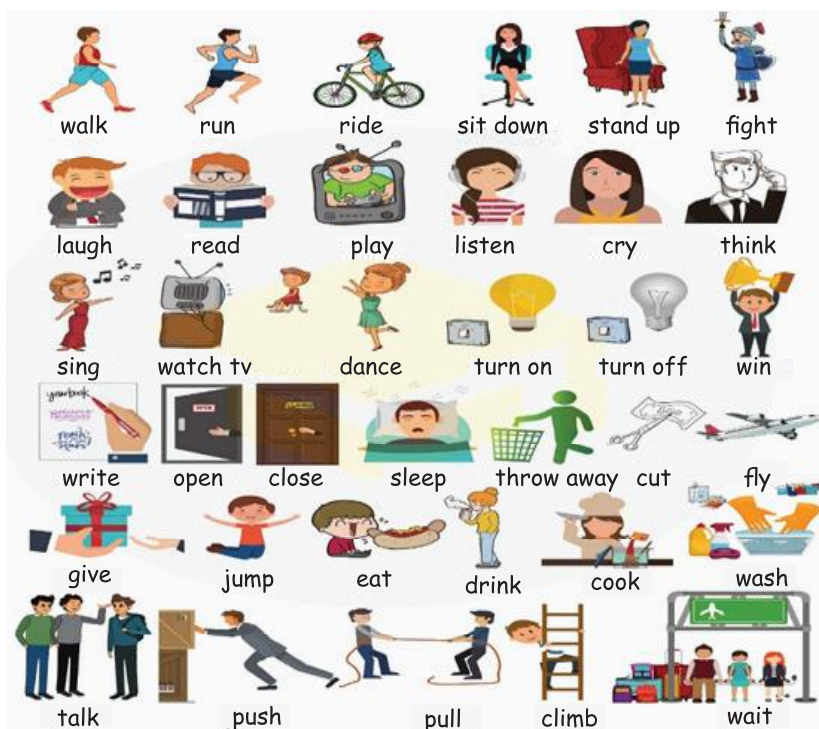


Action Words

Words that show the state of being and indicate the action performed are called action words. The action can be either physical or mental. Action words combine with naming words to give complete meaning.



What I already Know	What I Want to find out	What I Learned



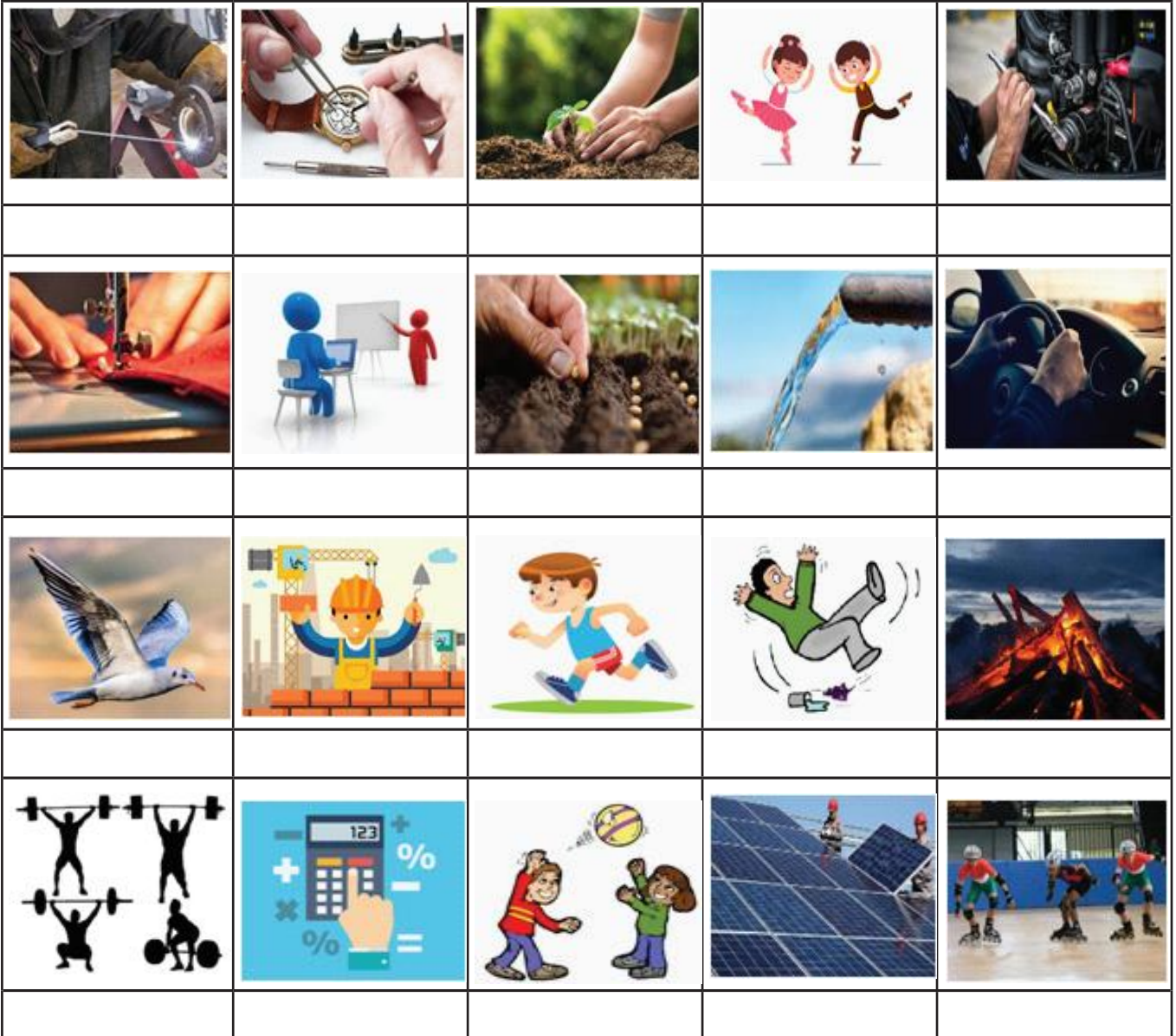
Action words

to do	to have	to be
run	has	be
listen	have	is
speak	had	am
read		was
write		are
connect		were
dance		being
work		been



1. Identify the action words that the pictures depict. Write the action words in the space provided. You may choose the action words from the list given.

(flow, play, teach, burn, fly, jog, install, dance, build, service, drive, weld, sow, lift, stich, plant, calculate, fall, skate, repair)



2. Identify the following action words given in the word search puzzle.

BORE	CONNECT	FILE	MEASURE
CLEAN	DRILL	FIX	FIT
CUT	ERECT	CORRECT	POSITION
JOIN	LEVEL	SLIDE	PLUMB
SEW	TILT	PIERCE	WORK



H	L	J	W	C	F	G	H	W	I	A	U	I	T	R
K	U	B	L	I	O	L	K	F	H	F	M	I	L	B
O	A	E	X	U	N	N	E	R	W	U	E	U	I	I
D	R	I	L	L	G	L	N	V	O	S	A	J	T	D
P	O	S	I	T	I	O	N	E	E	W	S	C	U	T
S	A	K	H	N	P	C	G	E	C	L	U	E	N	L
E	I	B	A	G	O	T	P	L	J	T	R	A	E	C
W	X	E	M	R	N	I	O	J	Q	O	E	F	D	A
F	L	W	R	U	S	E	T	A	B	N	I	W	S	T
C	I	E	P	A	L	V	C	L	Y	L	K	Z	L	J
D	C	T	S	K	J	P	E	X	E	O	Q	Q	I	F
T	R	K	E	A	B	K	R	O	Y	Z	P	G	D	P
L	J	U	Q	S	V	R	E	D	R	L	N	A	E	F
E	C	R	E	I	P	R	M	E	T	I	E	L	E	Q
P	J	C	A	K	O	B	T	K	A	J	F	M	X	S

3. Identify and circle the action words in the given sentences.

- a. The instructor operates the machine.
- b. Raghav gave me a gift.
- c. The workshop is clean.
- d. Jenny has good communication skills.
- e. Michael appreciated the workers in the factory.
- f. My dad delivered the parcel in time.
- g. Mohammed drove to the beach yesterday morning.
- h. The dog barked at the strangers.
- i. They found a treasure in the garden.
- j. It is good to eat an apple every day.
- k. She is an efficient worker.
- l. Everyone worked towards development.

4. Identify the actions in the given pictures and write the action words.

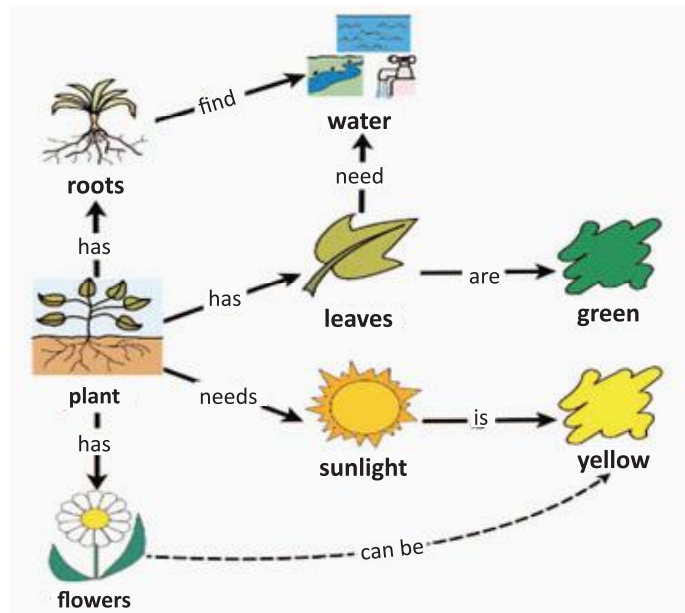




Singular naming words are followed by action words in singular. Plural naming words are followed by action words in plural.

There **is** + **singular noun** There **is** a **book** on the desk.
 There **are** + **plural noun** There **are** **books** on the desk.
 There **is** + **uncountable noun** There **is** some **milk** in the fridge.

There **isn't** + **singular noun** There **isn't** a **pen** on the table.
 There **aren't** + **plural noun** There **aren't** any **pens** here.
 There **isn't** + **uncountable noun** There **isn't** any **juice** in the fridge.



5. Fill in the blanks with the suitable actions words from those given in brackets.

- The plumber _____ (is/are) repairing the motor.
- Electricians _____ (help/helps) to fix electrical problems.
- The carpenter _____ (are/is) a very good craftsman.
- The mason _____ (assist/assists) the site engineer.
- Assistant Surveyors _____ (do/does) not work independently.
- Zardosi work _____ (looks/look) beautiful.
- Skilled craftsmen _____ (are/is) in great demand across the world.
- Knowledge and skill _____ (are/is) the two important areas to focus on.
- Sachin Tendulkar _____ (has/have) many world records in cricket.
- India _____ (are/is) the largest democracy in the world.

6. Fill in the blanks with the suitable action words (action or state of being).

(helps, apply, erects, blows, repair, are, install, complained, cuts, are, is, work, is, grows, recruits)

- Service mechanics _____ washing machines.
- Plumbers help to _____ pipe lines and motors.
- Tailors _____ in demand in the exports sector.
- Automobile service technicians _____ in automobile companies in the manufacturing and servicing departments.
- Surface Mount Technology _____ to mount components in electronic devices.
- The carpenter _____ wooden planks with a circular saw.



- g. ITI trainees _____ for internship in industries.
- h. BHEL _____ ITI trainees for apprentice training.
- i. The pipe fitter _____ scaffolds in the work site.
- j. Hard hat _____ a head protection equipment.
- k. There _____ plenty of job opportunities for ITI trainees.
- l. In the current day scenario, knowledge of computers _____ essential for any job.
- m. The conductor _____ the whistle.
- n. The farmer _____ rice and sugarcane.
- o. Joseph and Margaret _____ to the police about the theft in their house.

7. Fill in the blanks with suitable action words.

- a. The instructor _____ the trainee to wear the appropriate PPE.
- b. The electrician _____ the motor.
- c. The trainee _____ the screw in the machine.
- d. ITI trainees _____ safety guidelines in the workshop.
- e. There _____ many short-term courses in the Handicrafts sector.
- f. NCVT certificate _____ important to get good jobs.
- g. Welders _____ safety goggles to protect their eyes.
- h. Scaffolds _____ supportive to prevent accidents.
- i. Tool box talks in worksites _____ safe work environments.
- j. Entrepreneurs _____ to create more jobs.

8. Fill in the appropriate action word from those given in brackets.

Nadia, a customer _____ (comes/come) to a mobile showroom. She _____ (looks/look) at various models. She _____ (like/likes) Samsung 8. She _____ (ask/asks) the sales person the cost of the phone. The sales person _____ (tell/tells) her that the phone costs Rs. 10000. Nadia _____ (asks/ask) for models below Rs. 8000. The sales person _____ (show/shows) Nokia series and other basic models. The models _____ (is/are) not attractive. They _____ (are/is) very ordinary. Nadia _____ (request/requests) the salesperson the best price for Samsung 8. She also _____ (asks/ask) for any offers available. The sales person _____ (inform/informs) her that there _____ (are/is) no discount. The shop _____ (give/gives) a discount of 10 per cent for cash purchases. Nadia _____ (ask/asks) for a fresh piece. The sales person _____ (give/gives) her a fresh piece.

KWL

Complete the What I learned column in the KWL chart.



- Action words indicate actions or states of being of naming words.
- When the naming word is singular the action word is also singular.
- If the naming word is plural, the action word also becomes plural.



List the common actions you happen to see in your home / ITI / work environment every day.

<https://www.khanacademy.org/humanities/grammar/parts-of-speech-the-verb/introduction-to-verbs/v/introduction-to-verbs-the-parts-of-speech-grammar>

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6. Action Words – Tenses



At the end of this lesson, you shall be able to:

- identify words that show the time of action
- recognise how time of action modifies action words in present, past and progressive forms
- modify time of action from present to past.



Tense indicates the time with respect to the action shown by the action words. Some words refer to the actions taking place now. Some words indicate actions that have been completed. Such actions are classified as present tense and past tense respectively.



What I already **K**now

What I **W**ant to find out

What I **L**earned



Action that is happening now and action in progress – Present Tense

PRESENT TENSE

Happening now

*I eat the apple.
I am eating the apple.*



Action completed is past Tense

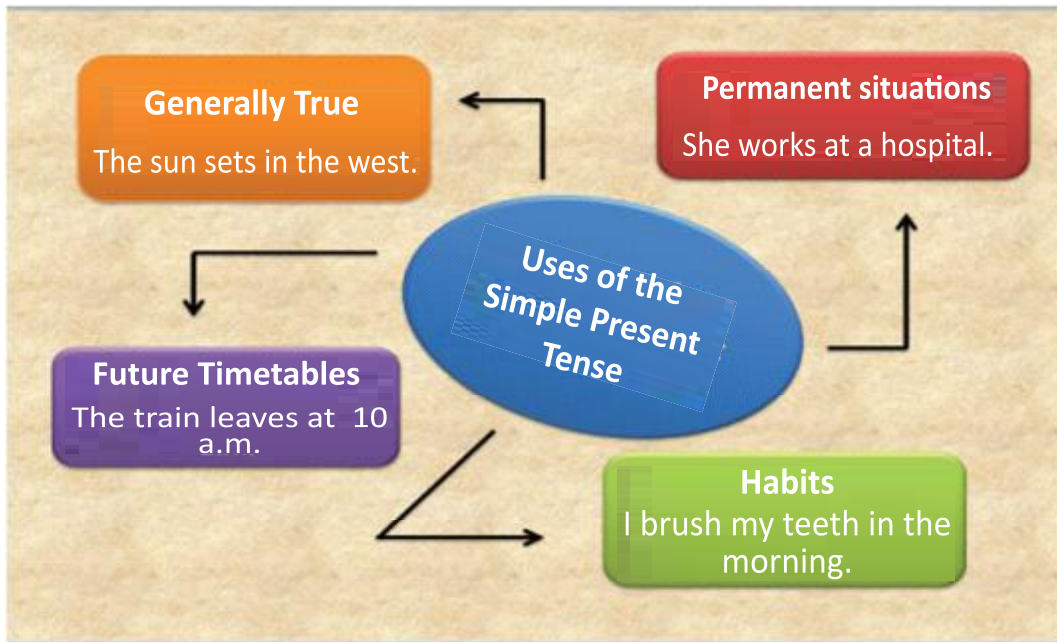
PAST TENSE

Happened in the past

I ate the apple.

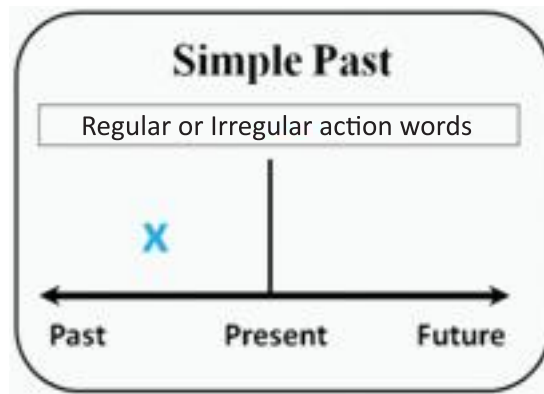


a. Simple Present Tense



Simple Present Tense	Action Words
I like fruits.	like
A plumber fixes the broken pipes.	fixes
I agree with the boss.	agree
Metals conduct electricity.	conduct

b. Simple Past Tense



i. Some action words in the present tense are converted into past tense with the addition of -ed.

Spelling Rules		
Most action words	+ ed	repair → repaired
action words ending in -e	+ d	Increase → increased
action words ending in -y	Drop y + ied	Apply → applied
action words ending in a vowel + consonant	Double the last letter + ed	Transmit → transmitted



ii. Some action words in the present tense do not add -ed, instead undergo a change in spelling.






Present Tense	Past Tense
build	built
rise	rose
give	gave
drive	drove

iii. Some action words change in other ways.

Present Tense	Past Tense
do	did
buy	bought
go	went

iv. Some action words have the same spelling in both present and past tense forms.

Present Tense	Past Tense
fit	fit
put	put
shed	shed
spread	spread
bet	bet
hit	hit
shut	shut
broadcast	broadcast
set	set

Action					
Present Tense	extinguish	sweep	climb	cut	clean
Past Tense	extinguished	swept	climbed	cut	cleaned



1. Match the following with the appropriate past tense forms. The first one is done for you. Underline the action word that does not change. Circle the action word that has a different past tense form.

Present tense (happening now)	Past tense (completed sometime ago)
load	hunted
come	soldered
fit	kept
solder	cut
keep	fitted
hunt	loaded
cut	came



2. Solve the crossword puzzle using the clues given.

Down

- 1. Present tense of inspected.
- 3. The electrician ___ the wires to the plug.
- 5. The carpenter ___ the nail with a hammer
- 6. Past tense of supply
- 8. Present tense of applied







Across

- 2. I _____ to my friend this morning
- 4. Past tense of shut
- 7. The room is _____ against cold.
- 9. My friend _____ me a gift yesterday
- 10. Past tense of make



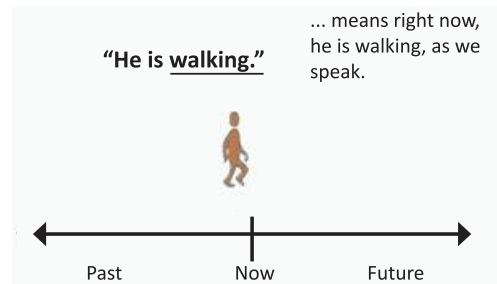
Progressive Tenses: Tense expresses the time of an action. Actions continuing for a period of time are called progressive actions. The corresponding tense is called progressive tense. Progressive tense is formed by adding -ing to action words.

Action				
Action Word	repair	fix	cook	solder
Action in progress (-ing)	repairing	fixing	cooking	soldering

a. Present Progressive Tense

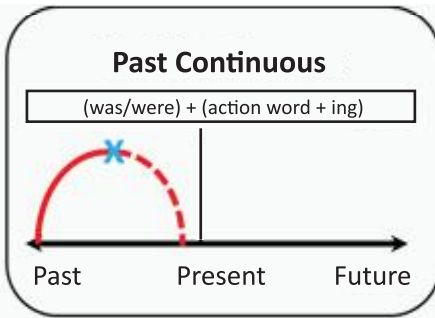
Actions continuing or happening now are usually described in the present progressive tense. Present Progressive Tense is formed by adding am/is/are + action word + ing.

- I am studying for my exam.
- I am fixing the broken chair.
- The AC Mechanic is cleaning the Air Conditioner.
- The clerk is typing a letter.
- The software engineers are working on the new software.
- The fire fighters are spraying water on the building.



b. Past Progressive Tense

Actions that lasted for a duration of time in the past are called past progressive tense. Past progressive tense is formed by adding was/were + action word + ing.



When my mother called, I was playing in the garden.

I was mending the punctured tyre, when it rained.

The electrician was checking the fuse, when the power went off.

When the principal came, the teacher was writing on the board.

When I went, they were packing their bags.

The builders were waiting for the blueprint of the building.

3. Read the following sentences. Identify the action words in the progressive form. Underline the words that indicate Present Progressive Tense and circle the words that denote the Past Progressive Tense.

Action	Action words in Present Progressive	Action words in Past Progressive
	a. I <u>am installing</u> Windows 10 in my laptop. b. Jothi <u>is installing</u> an app in her mobile. c. They <u>are installing</u> antivirus in all the computers.	d. I <u>was installing</u> new software in my laptop yesterday. e. They <u>were installing</u> firefox in the office systems.

4. Imagine your father is changing a bulb at home. Tell your friend Rahim what your father is doing. The first one is done for you.



Turn off the power.	My father is turning off the power.
Allow the bulb to cool.	He is allowing the bulb to cool.
Twist the old bulb in the anticlockwise direction.	He is _____ the old bulb in the anticlockwise direction.
Remove the bulb from the socket.	He _____ the bulb from the socket.
Push the new bulb gently into the socket.	He _____
Turn the bulb in the clockwise direction.	He _____
Switch on the power.	He _____
Dispose the old bulb.	He _____



5. Now, change your answers into past progressive by changing is to was.

My father _____ turning off the power.
He _____ allowing the bulb to cool.
He was _____ the old bulb in the anticlockwise direction.
He _____ the bulb from the socket.
He _____
He _____
He _____
He _____



Complete the What I learned column in the KWL chart.



- Action words have time of action represented through tenses.
- Present and past tense forms refer to actions that are happening now and have been just completed.
- Progressive tenses refer to an action in continuation in the present or a continuing action of the past.



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