# Tenses

Standard difficulty · 20 questions · 40 marks · Time: 36 minutes

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Write full answers in Sections B and C. Answers are on the last page — try every question first!

## Section A — Choose the correct answer — 8 × 1 = 8 marks

1. Choose the right form of the verb: Nowadays, Ananya ____ (send) the messages twice a week.
   **(a)** will send **(b)** was sending **(c)** sends **(d)** sent

2. Choose the right form of the verb: Nowadays, Zoya ____ (cook) the vegetables twice a week.
   **(a)** cooks **(b)** cooked **(c)** had cooked **(d)** was cooking

3. Choose the right form of the verb: My sister ____ (send) the messages yesterday.
   **(a)** sent **(b)** is sending **(c)** will send **(d)** sends

4. Which tense is used in this sentence? “These days, my brother repairs the fan every day.”
   **(a)** future perfect **(b)** future continuous
   **(c)** simple future **(d)** simple present

5. The present continuous tense is formed with:
   **(a)** am/is/are + the -ing form **(b)** has/have + past participle
   **(c)** was/were + the -ing form **(d)** will + base verb

6. The past participle of “fly” is:
   **(a)** flew **(b)** flies **(c)** flying **(d)** flown

7. Make the sentence negative: “Look! our neighbours are painting the wall.” The verb becomes:
   **(a)** are painting not **(b)** are not painting
   **(c)** not are painting **(d)** do not are painting

8. Assertion (A): “Meera cooks the vegetables two days ago.” is correct.
   Reason (R): The simple past is used for a finished action at a stated past time.
   **(a)** Both A and R are true, and R is the correct explanation of A.
   **(b)** Both A and R are true, but R is not the correct explanation of A.
   **(c)** A is true, but R is false.
   **(d)** A is false, but R is true.

## Section B — Short answer — 8 × 2 = 16 marks

9. Fill in the blank with the right form of the verb: Neha ____ (sing) the songs yesterday.

10. Fill in the blank with the right form of the verb: Nowadays, she ____ (read) the poems twice a week.

**11.** Fill in the blank with the right form of the verb: Asha ____ (wash) five plates since Monday.

**12.** Fill in the blank with the right form of the verb: My parents ____ (fly) the kites two days ago.

**13.** Name the tense, and say why it is used: “My parents cooked the vegetables two days ago.”

**14.** Rewrite the sentence in the simple past, ending it with “yesterday”: “Rohan makes the kites.”

**15.** Write the past form, the past participle and the -ing form of “read”.

**16.** Change into a question: “Kabir will repair the bicycle next week.”

## Section C — Longer answers — 4 × 4 = 16 marks

**17.** Fill in each blank with the right form of the verb in brackets:
(1) Listen! I ____ (catch) the balls.
(2) Meera ____ (cook) the meals two days ago.
(3) These days, Farhan ____ (read) a poem every evening.
(4) Farhan ____ (feed) the birds at this time yesterday.

**18.** Write three sentences about Neha: one about what Neha did yesterday (take), one about what Neha is doing now (feed), and one about what Neha will do tomorrow (build).

**19.** Find the mistake and write the sentence correctly. Say which tense is needed and why: “My brother has sent a parcel next Sunday.”

**20.** Explain when we use the past continuous, the simple past, the simple future, and write one sentence of your own for each.

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# Answer key

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| Q | Answer | Working |
|---|---|---|
| 1 | **(c) sends** | simple present: habits and facts: base verb, with -s/-es for he, she, it and singular nouns |
| 2 | **(a) cooks** | simple present: habits and facts: base verb, with -s/-es for he, she, it and singular nouns |
| 3 | **(a) sent** | simple past: a finished action at a stated past time: the past form |
| 4 | **(d) simple present** | habits and facts: base verb, with -s/-es for he, she, it and singular nouns |
| 5 | **(a) am/is/are + the -ing form** | — |
| 6 | **(d) flown** | fly – flew – flown |
| 7 | **(b) are not painting** | “not” goes after the first helping verb |
| 8 | **(d) A is false, but R is true.** | A is false: it should be “cooked”: the time words call for the simple past. R is true. |
| 9 | **sang** | simple past: a finished action at a stated past time: the past form |
| 10 | **reads** | simple present: habits and facts: base verb, with -s/-es for he, she, it and singular nouns |
| 11 | **has washed** | present perfect: a past action linked to now (so far, since): has/have + past participle |
| 12 | **flew** | simple past: a finished action at a stated past time: the past form |
| 13 | **Simple past: a finished action at a stated past time: the past form** | — |
| 14 | **Rohan made the kites yesterday.** | a finished action at a stated past time: the past form |
| 15 | **read, read, reading** | — |
| 16 | **Will Kabir repair the bicycle next week?** | move the first helping verb before the subject |
| 17 | **(1) am catching; (2) cooked; (3) reads; (4) was feeding** | present continuous; simple past; simple present; past continuous |
| 18 | **Neha took a photograph yesterday. Neha is feeding the dog now. Neha will build a sandcastle tomorrow.** | simple past, present continuous, simple future |
| 19 | **My brother will send a parcel next Sunday. The simple future: a future action: will + base verb.** | — |
| 20 | **Past continuous: an action going on at a moment in the past: was/were + the -ing form, e.g. My parents were building a sandcastle at this time yesterday. Simple past: a finished action at a stated past time: the past form, e.g.** | Any correct sentences. |

| Q | Answer | Working |
|---|---|---|
| | **Kavya cleaned the rooms two days ago. Simple future: a future action: will + base verb, e.g. The children will write a letter next week.** | |