

Name: _____

Date: _____

Verbs: Past, Present, and Future Tense

Verbs are words that show an action or state of being. The **verb tense** tells when the action happened. When the verb tense changes, the verb often changes its spelling.

The three major tenses are:

- **past** (yesterday, earlier, long ago)
- **present** (today, now, currently)
- **future** (tomorrow, later, next year)



Example: **Run**

Past

She ran yesterday.

Present

She runs past me today.

Future

She will run tomorrow.

The progressive tense is formed when you add the helping verb “to be” and the suffix *-ing*.

Past Progressive

She was running yesterday.

Present Progressive

She is running today.

Future Progressive

She will be running tomorrow.

Directions: Write each word or phrase from the verb bank in the proper column below.

Verb Bank

is playing chose will be hopping flew swung

will smile is trying flies was kicking

will fly slid hopped will be jumping will swing

kicks looks will choose is smiling

Past/Past Progressive	Present/Present Progressive	Future/Future Progressive

Name: _____

Date: _____

Verbs: Past, Present, and Future Tense

Directions: Write each word in the correct verb tense.

	Past	Present	Future
sit			
pop			
scream			
hear			
build			
buy			

Directions: Write the correct form of the verb to complete each sentence.

- Mom _____ to the store yesterday.
(go)
- Tomorrow, I _____ an essay in class.
(write)
- Ken _____ an original song at the talent show last week.
(sing)
- Now I am _____ to you.
(listen)
- Patricia _____ to Malaysia next month.
(travel)

Directions: Somebody used the wrong verb tense in their writing! Write the correct form of the verb in each of the incorrect sentences below.

- Yesterday I will be at home. _____
- Kai is had a sandwich right now. _____
- Ben is kicking the ball earlier. _____
- Tomorrow the librarian read a book. _____