



Let's Understand:

The following table illustrates the proper use of verb tenses:

Simple Present	Simple Past	Simple Future
I <i>read</i> nearly every day.	Last night, I <i>read</i> an entire novel.	I <i>will read</i> as much as I can this year.
Present Continuous	Past Continuous	Future Continuous
I <i>am reading</i> Shakespeare at the moment.	I <i>was reading</i> Edgar Allan Poe last night.	I <i>will be reading</i> Nathaniel Hawthorne soon.
Present Perfect	Past Perfect	Future Perfect
I <i>have read</i> so many books I can't keep count.	I <i>had read</i> at least 100 books by the time I was twelve.	I <i>will have read</i> at least 500 books by the end of the year.
Present Perfect Continuous	Past Perfect Continuous	Future Perfect Continuous
I <i>have been reading</i> since I was four years old.	I <i>had been reading</i> for at least a year before my sister learned to read.	I <i>will have been reading</i> for at least two hours before dinner tonight.

Try writing one sentence for each tense using any of the verbs run, swim, write or cook

1. Simple Present: _____
2. Simple Past: _____
3. Future Continuous: _____
4. Past Perfect: _____
5. Present Perfect Continuous: _____

Get in Action:**Directions: Put the verbs in brackets into the correct tense:**

Tom Wilson 1) is (be) an explorer. He 2) _____ (be) to nearly every country in the world, but the most exciting time he 3) _____ (ever/have) was when he 4) _____ (go) to the Congo jungle. A magazine 5) _____ (ask) him to retrace the route of a famous explorer who 6) _____ (disappear) in the 1920's. As he 7) _____ (follow) a small river he got separated from his guides. He 8) _____ (go on) alone, hoping he 9) _____ (find) them, but instead he 10) _____ (encounter) a group of natives. He 11) _____ (stay) with them for several days and 12) _____ (find out) that a very old woman 13) _____ (actually/meet) the famous explorer. She 14) _____ (know) how he 15) _____ (die). Tom 16) _____ (become) very friendly with the natives and now he 17) _____ (plan) to go back and see them again. He is sure they 18) _____ (welcome) him back.

Directions: Put the verbs in brackets into the correct tense:

When Francis Lee was a boy he 1) _____ (want) to be an astronaut. He 2) _____ (watch) TV one day in 1969 when he 3) _____ (see) Neil Armstrong walk on the moon. Since then he 4) _____ (always/dream) of doing the same. Every night when there is a full moon, he 5) _____ (stare) up at it for hours and 6) _____ (imagine) himself walking around on it. At the moment, however, he 7) _____ (work) as a night-watchman at a meat factory. He 8) _____ (do) the same job since he left school fifteen years ago, but he still hopes that one day his dream 9) _____ (come) true. He 10) _____ (hear) that in the 21st century they 11) _____ (sell) tickets to fly to the moon. For this reason he 12) _____ (save) half of his wages every month for the past two years.

Check your Work:

1. Put the verbs in brackets into the correct tense:

Tom Wilson 1)is....(be) an explorer. He 2) ...**has been**...(be) to nearly every country in the world, but the most exciting time he 3) ...**has ever had**.... (ever/have) was when he 4) ...**went**... (go) to the Congo jungle. A magazine 5) ...**had asked**... (ask) him to retrace the route of a famous explorer who 6) ...**had disappeared**.... (disappear) in the 1920's. As he 7) ...**was following**....(follow) a small river he got separated from his guides. He 8)**went on**.... (go on) alone, hoping he 9) ...**would find**..... (find) them, but instead he 10) ...**encountered**... (encounter) a group of natives. He 11) ...**stayed**.... (stay) with them for several days and 12)**found out**.. (find out) that a very old woman 13) ...**had actually met**...(actually/meet) the famous explorer. She 14) ...**knew**... (know) how he 15)**had died**....(die). Tom 16)**became**....(become) very friendly with the natives and now he 17) ...**is planning**... (plan) to go back and see them again. He is sure they 18) ...**will welcome**....(welcome) him back.

2. Put the verbs in brackets into the correct tense:

When Francis Lee was a boy he 1) ...**wanted**..... (want) to be an astronaut. He 2) ...**was watching**...(watch) TV one day in 1969 when he 3)**saw**.... (see) Neil Armstrong walk on the moon. Since then he 4) ...**has always dreamt**... (always/dream) of doing the same. Every night when there is a full moon, he 5) ...**stares**..... (stare) up at it for hours and 6) ...**imagines**... (imagine) himself walking around on it. At the moment, however, he 7) ...**is working**....(work) as a night-watchman at a meat factory. He 8) ...**has been doing**.... (do) the same job since he left school fifteen years ago, but he still hopes that one day his dream 9) ...**will come**... (come) true. He 10) ...**has heard**..... (hear) that in the 21st century they 11) ...**will sell/will be selling**..... (sell) tickets to fly to the moon. For this reason he 12) ...**has been saving**...(save) half of his wages every month for the past two years.

ASK: *If you are still in doubt, please reach out to your teacher and get your doubt cleared for better understanding.*