

Engels - Grammar

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1 Past tenses

1.1 Past simple

1.1.1 Formation

Infinitive + ed

1.1.2 Use

- A simple completed action in the past
- Repeated actions in the past
- A series of actions in the past
- Situations that finished in the past

1.2 Past continuous

1.2.1 Formation

Was/were + ing form

1.2.2 Use

To describe an action or situation happening at or around a time in the past

- For temporary past situations
- For two actions/situations taken place at the same time
- For interrupted actions (PC and PS)
- Plans that did not happen
- Background situations in the past

1.3 Used to

1.3.1 Formation

Used to + infinitive

1.3.2 Use

- To talk about regular past actions that do not happen now
- Emphasis the difference between the past and the present

1.4 Would

1.4.1 Formation

Would + infinitive

1.4.2 Use

- To talk about regular past actions that do not happen now

1.5 Past perfect simple

1.5.1 Formation

had + past participle

1.5.2 Use

- To show which action happened first
- In stories to show a series of events in the past
- Giving reason:
 - Emily was unhappy, her husband hadn't bought her a birthday present.
- Superlatives
 - It was the worst meal I had ever eaten.

1.6 Past perfect continuous

1.6.1 Formation

had/have + been + ing form

1.6.2 Use

- To talk about an action or situation that was happening in the past before another action or time
- Emphasizing time
- Giving reason

2 Present perfect

2.1 Formation

have + past participle

2.2 For past experiences and present results

- To talk about actions and experiences that have happened in our lives up to now.
- Ever, never, before
- To talk about a past action that has a result in the present
- Just, already, recently
- Still, yet

2.3 For situations up to the present

- To talk about actions in a time period, that is still continuing
- To talk about repeated actions
- Situations up to the present + for/since
- How long
- Superlatives
- The first time

2.4 Present perfect continuous

2.4.1 Formation

have + been + ing form

2.4.2 Use

- To talk about actions and situations that have started in the past and are still continuing
- To talk about an activity in the recent past

3 Modal verbs

modal verb + be

3.1 Ability and possibility

tense	verb
present	can
future	be able to
past	could

3.2 Making a guess

situation	verb
guess about a present situation	must, can't, might, could, may
guess about the future	may, might, could (BUT NOT: couldn't)
expectations	should
guess about a past situation	must have, can't have, could have, may have, might have
expectations about the past	should have, was meant to, supposed to

3.3 Rules

rule	verb
possitive and necessary	have to, must
negative	can't, not allowed to, mustn't

3.4 Necessary and unnecessary actions

action	verb
necessary	need to
unnecessary (present and future)	needn't + infinitive, don't need to, don't have to, won't need
unnecessary in the past	didn't need, didn't have to, needn't have + past participle

3.5 Advice and criticism

	verb
advice and warnings	should, ought to, must, had better
criticism and regrets about the past	sshould have + past participle

3.6 Permission

	verb
Asking permission	can, may, might, could
rules and laws	can, allowed to
permission in the past and future	could, was allowed to, will allowed to

4 Conditionals

4.1 Present and future conditions

4.1.1 Present conditions (zero conditional)

If + present simple, present simple.

This conditional is used when the result will always happen.

4.1.2 Future conditions (first conditional)

if + present simple, ... will + infinitive

It's used to talk about things which might happen in the future.

4.2 Unlikely/unreal conditions

4.2.1 Second conditional

if + past simple, ...would + infinitive

1. We can use it to talk about things in the future that are probably not going to be true.
2. We can use it to talk about something in the present which is impossible, because it's not true.

4.3 Past conditions

4.3.1 Third conditional

if + past perfect, ...would + have + past participle

It talks about the past. It's used to describe a situation that didn't happen, and to imagine the result of this situation.

4.4 Mixed conditionals

4.4.1 Past to present conditional

if + past perfect, ... would + infinitive

We use this conditional to talk about present results of an imagined past condition.

4.4.2 Present to past conditional

if + past simple, ... could/would + have + past participle

We use this conditional to talk about imagined past results of a present condition.

4.5 Wish, if only, it's time

- wish/if only + past simple/would
 - to talk about present situations, when we are unhappy with the situation
- wish/if only + past perfect
 - to talk about a past situation or action that we regret
- it's time and would rather
 - when we are talking about the present

5 Relative, pariciple and other clauses

See p217-236

6 Passive

See p251-264