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Present Tense (Grammar)

English

Lecture – 01

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Topics

to be covered



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Warm-up Game ✓

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Introduction to Tenses ✓

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Present Tense ✓

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Exercise and Quiz ✓



Recap

of previous Lecture



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Game

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Dust of Snow, Fire and Ice ✓

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NCERT Questions ✓





Game time!



Solve the riddles!

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eyes to see,
A strong back but no
legs to flee.
In the sun, I often
gleam,
Reflecting light with a
silver sheen.
What am I?

Mirror

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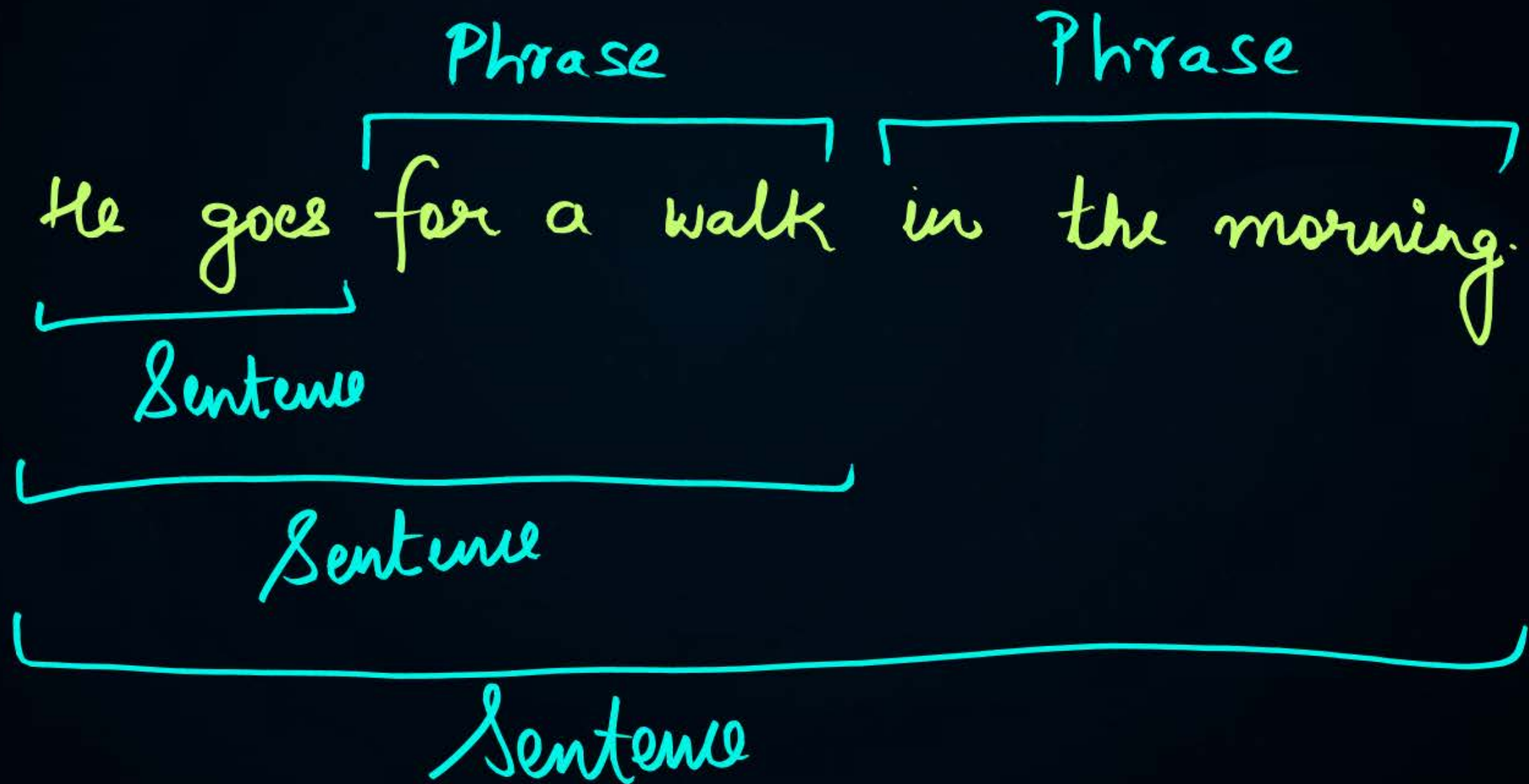


Tenses

Sentence



↳ a group of words that makes complete sense



Sub. Verb object
John Kicks football.
 doer action receiver

✓

$S + V + O$

John Kicks.

✓

John

✗

Kick!

✓



He is playing
H.V. M.V.

- VERB
- ① ^{Trans.} action play, eat, go
 - ② State of being He is smart.
I know you.
 - ③ Occurrence He developed a symptom.

Main Verb
↓
action

Helping Verb / Auxiliary Verb
additional info.

Primary Auxiliary Verbs

is, am, are
was, were
been, being

Be, Do, Have

do, does, did

has, have
had

Modals

Can, could
shall, should
will, would
may, might



TENSE — forms of verb

PRESENT

PAST

FUTURE

→ Time (Present, Past, future)

→ State (Complete, Incomplete, ?)

Time — H.V.

INDEFINITE

He plays.

CONTINUOUS

He is playing — Present Continuous

PERFECT

He has played — Present Perfect

→ State → M.V.

P. CONTINUOUS

He has been playing for 2 hours.

VERB FORMS:



- ① Infinitive — $to + V_1$ — to play, to eat, to go
- ② Bare Infinitive — V_1 — play, eat, go
- ③ Simple Past — V_2 — played, ate, went
- ④ Past Participle — V_3 — played, eaten, gone
- ⑤ Present Participle — $V_1 + ing$ — playing, eating, going

#Q. **Select the option that identifies the error and supplies the correction in the given sentence:**

She wants to learns how to play the piano.

A Error – want; Correction – wanted

☒ **B** Error – learns; Correction – learn

C Error – play; Correction – played

D Error – play; Correction – plays



Present Tense



<u>Simple Present</u>		<u>Present Continuous</u>		<u>Present Perfect</u>		<u>Present Perfect Continuous</u>	
HV Do	MV V ₁	HV Be	MV V ₁ + ing	HV Have	MV - V ₃	HV Have Been	MV V ₁ + ing

	S.N.	P.N.	
1st P	I - am	We	
2nd P	You	You	play plays
3rd P	He She It Name	They	teachers do/does play
is	does	are	

#Q. Complete the following sentences using the correct form of verb.

(A) She always gets up early in the morning. (get) (Simple Present Tense)

↓
V₁ + s/es
3.P.S.

- ☐ A get
- ☒ B gets
- ☐ C got
- ☐ D has got

#Q. Complete the following sentences using the correct form of verb.

(Simple Present Tense)

(B) I ----- what you are saying. (not believe)

A Doesn't believe

☒ B Don't believe

C Not believe

D No believe

#Q. Complete the following sentences using the correct form of verb.
(Simple Present Tense)

(C) Mr. James ----- English. (teach)

- ☐ A teach
- ☒ B teaches
- ☐ C does teach
- ☐ D teaching

#Q. Complete the following sentences using the correct form of verb.

(Simple Present Tense)

(D) Here we -----! (go)

A goes

B go

C went

D gone

Topic : Exercise



Ram & Shyam are

#Q. Complete the following sentences using the correct form of verb.

(Simple Present Tense)

★ (E) Two and two ----- four. (make)

Plural
Subject

☒ A make

☐ B makes

☐ C made

☐ D had make

#Q. Complete the following sentences using the correct form of verb.

Dear Sir,

3.p.s.

~~★~~ In response to your query, the document that _____ our country's sustainability initiatives has been attached for your consideration.

- A** explain
- B** explaining
- ☒ **C** explains
- D** do explain

#Q. Identify the error and provide a correction for the same.

We offers a 30-day return policy on all unopened products purchased from our websites.

A

Policy; policies

B

Unopened; unopen

C

Purchased; purchase

☒ D

Offers; offer

#Q. Complete the following sentences using the correct form of verb.



The morning dew captures your essence,
 The flowers and grass _____ your colour,
 The Sunrise embraces your arrival,
 As the dawn welcomes a new day.

- ☒ A explain
- ☐ B explaining
- ☐ C explains *
- ☐ D do explain

Simple Present (गति ५,)		Present Continuous	
HV Do	MV V_1 ★★	HV - <u>Be</u>	MV - $V_1 + ing$
<p>① S + V_1 + <u>S/es</u> + O ★★</p> <p><u>3.P.S.</u></p> <p>I play football.</p> <p>He plays football.</p>		<p>① S + is/am/are + $V_1 + ing$ + O</p> <p>I <u>am</u> <u>playing</u>.</p> <p>He <u>is</u> <u>playing</u>.</p> <p>You <u>are</u> <u>playing</u>.</p>	
<p>② S + do/<u>does</u> + not + V_1 + O</p> <p><u>3.P.S.</u></p> <p><u>I</u> <u>do</u> <u>not</u> play. (don't)</p> <p><u>He</u> <u>does</u> <u>not</u> play. (doesn't)</p>		<p>② I <u>am</u> <u>not</u> playing.</p> <p>He <u>is</u> <u>not</u> playing.</p>	

#Q. Fill in the blanks with the correct tense of the verb given in the brackets.

(Present Continuous Tense)

is/am/are + V₁ + ing

✓ (A) I am writing a novel. (write)

✓ (B) They are going to the zoo next week. (go)

✓ (C) She is not looking after your child. (not look)

✓ (E) Are you doing your work regularly? (do)

✓ (G) Why are you waiting for your friend? (wait)

✓ (H) Am I looking beautiful? (look)

#Q. Fill in the blanks with the correct tense of the verb given in the brackets.
(Present Continuous Tense)

Why _____ you _____ for your friend? (wait)

☒ A are you waiting

☐ B am you waiting

☐ C is you waiting

☐ D you waiting



Topic : Present Indefinite vs Present Continuous



Present Indefinite

1. to express habitual action
 - a. He **smokes**.
 - b. I always **take** my tea without sugar.
2. to express universal or general truths
 - a. The sun **rises** in the east.
 - b. Water **boils** at 100°C.
3. In running sports commentaries
 - a. Ajit **passes** the ball to Mohan who **kicks** it past the goalkeeper.
4. to express future actions planned in advance
 - a. The train **leaves** at 6 in the morning.
 - b. Schools **close** in May for summer vacation and **reopen** in June.

Present Continuous

1. to express an action happening at the time of speaking
 - a. I **am writing** a letter.
 - b. She **is reading** a book now.
2. to express an action in progress about this time but not necessarily at the time of speaking
 - a. They **are building** a new house.
 - b. He **is teaching** English at the High School.
3. to express a definite arrangement in the near future
 - a. I **am going** to London next week.
 - b. I **am meeting** her tonight.

Adverbs/Adverbial phrases:

usually, generally, occasionally, rarely, always, often, sometimes, never, ever,
once a week/month/year, etc.



#Q. Fill in the blanks with the correct form of the verb given in the brackets.

(Use Simple Present or Present Continuous)

\downarrow
V₁ + s/es

\leftarrow
is/am/are + V₁ + ing

Look! Sara a. is going (go) to the movie.

On her right hand, Sara b. is carrying (carry) her handbag.

Sara usually c. puts (put) on black shoes, but now she d. is wearing

(wear) white trainers. The handbag e. is (be) very beautiful.

She e. is carrying (carry) an umbrella because it is raining (rain).

(अरे रहे है, —)

Present Perfect (युक्त है, था)		Present Perfect Continuous	
HV Have	MV V_3	HV Have Been	MV V_{ing}
<p>① S + <u>has/have</u> + V_3 + D 3.P.S.</p> <p>He <u>has</u> <u>played</u> football.</p> <p>I have played football.</p> <p>② He has not played football.</p>		<p>① S + has/have + been + V_{ing} + since / for + D</p> <p>He <u>has</u> <u>been</u> <u>playing</u> football for 2 hours. M.V.</p> <p>② He has not been playing football for 2 hours.</p>	

Time

↓
point of time

Specific / particular

Hour

2 pm, 6 am, 4 o'clock

Day

Monday, Tuesday

Month

Jan, Feb, March

Year

1992, 2024, 2007

for

↓
period of time

duration of time

4 hours, 5 hours, 7 hours

4 days, 5 days, 2 days

2 months, 3__

4 years, 5 years



#Q. Complete the following sentences by filling in the correct form of the verb.

(Use Present Perfect Tense)

✓ (A) X: "Is there any message for me?"

has/have + V₃

Y: "I _____ (not see) the mail yet."

haven't seen

✓ (B) I have been (be) to all the major countries of Europe but I have not (not visit)

Italy so far.

visited

✓ (C) X: "When is the Deccan queen expected to arrive?"

Y: "She has already (already arrive) sir."
arrived

✓ (D) X : "How long have you lived (you / live) here in this house?"

✓ Y : "Twenty years up to now."

✓ (E) X : "_____ has she finished (she / finish) the paper yet?"

Y : "No, sir, she _____ (just / attempt) five questions so far."

has just attempted

Topic : Exercise



#Q. Fill in the blanks with 'since' or 'for'.

✓ (A) He has been running this shop Since 1988.

✓ (B) The teacher has been teaching the class for an hour.

✓ (C) The students have been playing Since 2 p.m.

✓ (D) She has been painting a portrait for many days.

a. _____

b. _____

c. _____

☆☆ (E) She has been looking after our school _____ last fifteen years.

(F) They have been living with me Since March.

Topic : Exercise



#Q. Fill the blanks with 'since' or 'for'.

(E) She has been looking after our school ----- last fifteen years.

A since

B for

fixed time
↓
since

#Q. Fill in the blanks with the Present Perfect Continuous form of the verb given in brackets.

(A) The diary _____ (lie) in the locker all this while.

(B) The department _____ (not use) the grant for Prime Minister's Rural Roads Project for over a year.

(C) _____ the Police _____ (not investigate) the bank robbery case for over six months now?



Topic : Present Perfect vs Present Perfect Continuous



Present Perfect

1. to express a recently completed action
 - a. I **have** just **finished** my work.
 - b. He **has** just **gone** to school.
 2. to express past actions when the time is not given and not definite
 - a. I **have** **read** the poem but I don't understand it.
 - b. **Have** you **had** your lunch?
 3. to express past actions or events the results of which still persist
 - a. The prisoners **have** **escaped** from the jail.
 - b. He **has** **had** a bad accident.
- ★ *It expresses the completion of an action by now.*
Adverbs: **just**, never, ever, **so far**, **till now**, lately, **recently**, **yet**, already, before, today, this week/ month, etc.

Present Perfect Continuous

1. to express an action which began in the past and is still continuing
 - a. It **has been** **raining** since 6 am.
 - b. They **have been** **playing** for two hours.
2. to express an action which is already finished, but whose effect or results persist
 - a. He is shivering because he **has been** **bathing** for an hour.
 - b. The boys **have been** **running** round the town all day and are now resting.

#Q. There is one error in each line. Identify the error and write its correction against the correct blank number. Remember to underline the correction.

		Incorrect Word	Correct Word
A.	She go to the gym every day to keeps herself fit.	-----	-----
B.	The teacher teaches English grammar on Mondays and Wednesdays.	-----	-----
C.	They is playing soccer in the park right now.	-----	-----
D.	My family and I are plan to visit the zoo this weekend.	-----	-----
E.	Our company provide high-quality services to their customers.	-----	-----
F.	The bus arrive at the station at 8 o'clock in the morning.	-----	-----
G.	We loves to spend our weekends at the beach.	-----	-----

#Q. Fill in the blanks with the correct form of the verb in the present tense. Choose the most appropriate option (A, B, C, or D) for each blank.

A. Sarah _____ tennis every Saturday morning.

A plays

B play

C is playing

D playing

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B. The train _____ at 6 p.m. every day.

A arrives

B arrive

C is arriving

D arriving



#Q. Fill in the blanks with the correct form of the verb in the present tense. Choose the most appropriate option (A, B, C, or D) for each blank.

C. My brother and I _____ a new song right now.

A are singing

B sings

C sing

D singing



#Q. Fill in the blanks with the correct form of the verb in the present tense. Choose the most appropriate option (A, B, C, or D) for each blank.

D. They _____ for their exams at the moment.

A

study

B

studies

C

studying

D

are studying

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E. The company _____ a new product next month.

- A** launches
- B** launch
- C** is launching
- D** launching



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F. She _____ her best friend for lunch every week.

A meets

B meet

C is meeting

D meeting



#Q. Fill in the blanks with the correct form of the verb in the present tense. Choose the most appropriate option (A, B, C, or D) for each blank.

G. We _____ the football match on TV tonight.

- A** watch
- B** watches
- C** are watching
- D** is watching



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H. The baby _____ when she hears music.

A dances

B dance

C is dancing

D dancing



#Q. Fill in the blanks with the correct form of the verb in the present tense. Choose the most appropriate option (A, B, C, or D) for each blank.

I. He _____ to his favorite podcast every morning.

A listens

B listen

C is listening

D listening



#Q. Fill in the blanks with the correct form of the verb in the present tense. Choose the most appropriate option (A, B, C, or D) for each blank.

J. They _____ a lot of time in the garden.

- A** spend
- B** spends
- C** spending
- D** is spending



THANK
YOU

