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Top 20 British English Verbs 3

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English

The man is deciding on a light bulb.

The professor is explaining the diagram.

The people are taking the strawberries.

The woman is holding the globe.

The speaker is speaking at the conference.

Vocabulary

English	Definition	Class
man	adult human male	noun
decide	to make a choice	verb
light bulb	electric light	noun
professor	teacher at a college or university	noun
explain	to make something understandable	verb
diagram	drawing that shows or explains something	noun
people	group of human beings	noun
take	to carry something to another place	verb
strawberry	type of fruit which is red and juicy	noun
woman	female human adult	noun
hold	to have something	verb
globe	ball like object with a map of the world on it	noun
speaker	person who talks	noun
speak	to talk to another person or other people	verb
conference	meeting for discussion which is usually formal	noun

Vocabulary Sample Sentences

The man disappeared into the shadows.

He decided to take some gymnastics classes.
The light bulb shone brightly.
The chemistry professor is always wearing a lab coat, even when she's not experimenting.
The professor had very interesting research, but she was not a good presenter.
Could you explain that?
The diagram was unclear.
There were a lot of people at his house.
How many people are you expecting?
I have to take my car to the mechanic.
I think the strawberry milkshake gave me an upset stomach.
The scared woman is protecting her baby.
The clown held many colorful balloons.
I bought this world globe on sale.
The speaker approached the podium with sweaty palms.
I speak a little bit of Spanish.
Setting up the conference was a huge enterprise.

Grammar Points

The focus of this lesson is tense comparison in British English.

Present tense, Present Progressive tense, and Past tense

In this lesson you'll learn the difference between the different tenses in the English language: present tense, present progressive tense, and past tense.

1. The man is deciding on a light bulb.

Tense	British English
present tense	The man decides on a light bulb.
present progressive tense	The man is deciding on a light bulb.
past tense	The man decided on a light bulb.

2. The professor is explaining the diagram.

Tense	British English
present tense	The professor explains the diagram.
present progressive tense	The professor is explaining the diagram.
past tense	The professor explained the diagram.

3. The people are taking the strawberries.

Tense	British English
present tense	The people take the strawberries.
present progressive tense	The people are taking the strawberries.
past tense	The people took the strawberries.

4. The woman is holding the globe.

Tense	British English
present tense	The woman holds the globe.
present progressive tense	The woman is holding the globe.
past tense	The woman held the globe.

5. The speaker is speaking at the conference.

Tense	British English
present tense	The speaker speaks at the conference.
present progressive tense	The speaker is speaking at the conference.
past tense	The speaker spoke at the conference.