

Topic 1: Present, Past and Future Tense

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Key Concept

Present tense describes actions happening now or habitually, like 'I write' or 'She reads every day.'

Past tense describes completed actions, often formed by adding '-ed' to regular verbs, like 'I walked' or 'She played.'

Future tense describes actions that will happen, usually formed using 'will' or 'going to,' like 'I will write' or 'She is going to read.'

Correctly using tenses ensures our sentences clearly convey when an action takes place, avoiding confusion for the reader.

Quick Revision Notes

- Present tense: now or habitual actions.
- Example: 'I write.'
- Past tense: completed actions.
- Often adds '-ed'. Example: 'I walked.'
- Future tense: will happen.
- Uses 'will' or 'going to'.
- Example: 'I will write.'
- Correct tense avoids confusion.

Practice Questions

- 1 Write a sentence in each of the three tenses.
- 2 Change 'I play' to past tense.
- 3 Change 'She sings' to future tense.
- 4 Identify the tense in 'They visited yesterday.'
- 5 Write a paragraph using all three tenses.
- 6 Discuss why using correct tense matters.