

ACTIVE VOICE - DARĀMĀ KĀRTA

| Aspect Tense | | Simple (regular action) | Continuous (action in progress) | Perfect (completed action) |
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| Formula → Statement ↓ | | !!! V-s/-es (with he/she/it) Do in ? and - | be + V-ing (Present Participle) | have + V-ed / 3 rd form (Past Participle) |
| Present | + | I usually get up at six o'clock. He goes dancing at the weekend . John sings and plays the guitar. I love hiking and camping. | We are currently working on improving sales. She is meeting Tom tomorrow at 9.15 am. | I have worked here since 2020. She has gone home. So far they have sold a million copies. |
| | ? | Do you work here? Does she speak English? | Are they coming this week? Is she singing or is it Spotify? | Have they finished the project? Has she replied to the e-mail? |
| | - | No, it does not work for me. I don't know if we can do that. | He is not working today . I'm not going with you tonight . | We have not decided yet . He hasn't paid the bill. |
| Past | + | Last Saturday I went to a club. I worked for LG earlier . We were too tired to go out yesterday . I was cooking when Ann called. | The sun was shining brightly and people were swimming. I was reading when suddenly a thunderstorm started. Tom was working until Joe came. | We had arranged everything beforehand . I had already heard the news when he finally told me what he had done . |
| | ? | Did you go shopping yesterday ? Did she stay up all night? | What were you doing at 10 o'clock last night? | Had you met Sophie before I introduced her to you? |
| | - | No, we did not see him. When I called on her, she wasn't there anymore. | Tom wasn't listening, so I left. She was not talking to him until he apologised. | I had not made much progress so I decided to take a break. He swore he hadn't done it. |
| Future | + | I will notify him as soon as I can. He will have to hire more people. | We will be driving all day . I'll be watching you. | I will have finished writing by the time they arrive. |
| | ? | Will you help me? Will they accept the proposal? | Will they be practising this time tomorrow ? | Will she have closed the deal by the end of this week ? |
| | - | They will not like it. I won't be able to make it. | He will not be presenting at that time . | I will not have moved by then . Kim won't have arrived yet . |
| Keywords | | always, usually, normally, often, generally, frequently, sometimes, occasionally, every now and then, from time to time, rarely, seldom, hardly ever, never every day / week / month / year... yesterday, ago, earlier, last (month) in (2015), on (Monday), at (night) !!! when, while, suddenly | (right) now, at the moment, currently, !!! at that time (e.g. at 8.30 yesterday) !!! future arrangement Listen! Look! today / this week / this year... !!! setting the scene, describing a picture, describing change !!! when, while, until, suddenly | just, already, since, for, yet up to now / then / that time, so far never, ever by (then), by the end of... before, after, beforehand recently, lately |
| Present perfect continuous | + | have + been + V-ing | I have been working here for 10 years. He has been waiting for your call all morning . | |
| | ? | | How long have you been studying? Has she been playing computer games all day ? | |
| | - | | We have not been dating long , only a couple of months now. Lately , Harry hasn't been feeling well. | |
| Past perfect continuous | + | had + been + V-ing | He had been drafting the legal amendments for many months but the parliament rejected the bill. | |
| | ? | | How long had they been investigating the case before it went to court? | |
| | - | | The company had not been doing well for several years before the takeover. | |
| Future perfect continuous | + | will + have + been + V-ing | Next month I will have been working on this project for 2 years . | |
| | ? | | How long will she have been suffering until she finally moves on? | |
| | - | | He will not have been hiding long before the police arrests him. | |
| Keywords | | | how long, for (a long time), all (day), before, after | |