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Verb Tense Overview and Examples

Simple Present	Simple Past	Simple Future
l <u>play</u> tennis every day.	Two years ago, I <u>played</u> tennis in England.	If you want to play with me, <u>I will</u> <u>play</u> tennis. I <u>am going to play</u> tennis next year.
Present Progressive	Past Progressive	Future Progressive
I <u>am playing</u> tennis now.	l <u>was playing</u> tennis when you called yesterday.	I <u>will be playing</u> tennis tomorrow. I <u>am going to be playing</u> tennis tomorrow.
Present Perfect	Past Perfect	Future Perfect
I <u>have played</u> tennis in several different countries.	I <u>had played</u> tennis a little before I moved to the United States.	I <u>will have played</u> tennis for four hours if I play for another hour. I <u>am going to have played</u> tennis for six straight days if I play in the tournament this weekend.
Present Perfect Progressive	Past Perfect Progressive	Future Perfect Progressive
I <u>have been playing</u> tennis for ten years.	I <u>had been playing</u> tennis for three years before I moved to the United States.	I <u>will have been playing</u> tennis for over three hours by the time you arrive. I <u>am going to have been playing</u> tennis for over three hours by the time you arrive.