

12 TENSES

Tense	Example
Simple Present	I play basketball every week.
Present Progressive	I'm playing basketball now.
Simple Past	I played basketball yesterday.
Past Progressive	I was playing basketball the whole evening.
Present Perfect	I have just played basketball.
Present Perfect Progressive	I have been playing basketball for 3 hours.
Past Perfect	I had played basketball before Mary came.
Past Perfect Progressive	I had been playing basketball when Mary came.
Future – will	I will play basketball next week.
Future – going to	I'm going to play basketball this afternoon.
Future Progressive	I will be playing basketball next Sunday.
Future Perfect	I will have played basketball by tomorrow.