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Chapter 9: Past Continuous Tense

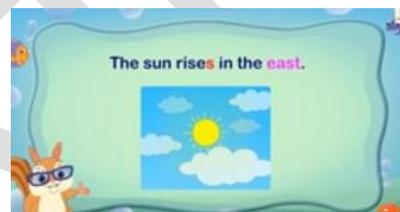
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Objectives: By the end of this topic, students will be able to understand the concept of different types of tenses.

As, we already know verb means any action or work done. Now, we need to understand the **time** of the action.

Any action or work can be done in three times. We call it **tense** of a verb. The word tense indicates the time of an action or an event. So, tenses are of three types.

Present tense: Present tense of a verb denotes or tells us about the action that is taking place right now at present or that takes places in the present often or every day. Verbs in simple present tense indicate habits and general truths. For example:



Past tense: It tells us about the action that happened in the past means the time that is gone. We add -d or -ed to change some into their past tense forms. Like

dance danced push pushed

Future tense: It tells us about the actions that are going to take place in future. Like

I will buy a new camera next week.

In the above sentence, the verb **will buy** denotes actions that will be done in the future.

Dear students past tense can further be classified into four types, they are

Simple past tense

Past perfect tense

Past continuous tense

Past perfect continuous tense

But in detail, we will learn about past continuous tense.



We use the past continuous tense to talk about an action that was going on at some point of time in the past and continued for some time.

We use was/were and add-**ing** to the main verb to change it into the past continuous form.

For example:

I **was studying** last night when the storm came.

(was+ study+ -ing)

Rohit and Anisha **were sleeping** when the alarm rang.

(were+ sleep + -ing)