

# VERB TENSE

**Topic:** CCSS L.5.1.D - Recognize and correct inappropriate shifts in verb tense.

*Verb tense- verbs come in three tenses: past, present and future.*

- *Past: used to describe things that have already occurred*
- *Present: used to describe things that are happening now*
- *Future: used to describe things that will happen*

**Instructions: Choose the correct tense of the verb to best complete each sentence.**

1. Jim and Susan \_\_\_\_\_ to school tomorrow. (went/will go)
2. Sam sits down and \_\_\_\_\_ in his notebook. (writes/wrote)
3. The energetic puppy sure \_\_\_\_\_ happy yesterday! (is/was)
4. Mrs. Smith \_\_\_\_\_ a song in the talent show next month. (sang/will sing)
5. They \_\_\_\_\_ on the phone for three hours last night. (talk/talked)

**Instructions: Next to each verb, write “past tense”, present tense or “future tense”.**

1. plays \_\_\_\_\_
2. were \_\_\_\_\_
3. painted \_\_\_\_\_
4. is smiling \_\_\_\_\_
5. write \_\_\_\_\_
6. drew \_\_\_\_\_
7. will drive \_\_\_\_\_
8. are \_\_\_\_\_