

Lecture

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Tense, Sequence of Tense

Tense শব্দের বাংলা অর্থ কাল ক্রিয়ার সম্পন্ন হওয়ার কাল বা সময়কে Tense বলে। সময় পরিবর্তনের সাথে verb এর বিভিন্ন রূপে রূপান্তর হচ্ছে Tense। Tense তিন প্রকার। যথাঃ (a) Present (b) Past (c) Future

Present Indefinite Tense: কোন কাজ সচরাচর বর্তমানে হয়, চিরন্তন সত্য, ঐতিহাসিক সত্য, বৈজ্ঞানিক সত্য এবং অভ্যাসগত কর্ম বুঝালে Present Indefinite Tense হয়।

Structure: Subject + মূল verb এর Present form + বাকী অংশ (যদি থাকে)।

Example: Flood destroy crops.

Present Continuous Tense: বর্তমানে কোন কাজ চলমান বা Continue আছে বুঝালে তা Present Continuous tense হয়।

Structure: Subject + am/is/are + মূল এর verb শেষে ing + বাকী অংশ (যদি থাকে)।

Example: John is flying for Germany next week.

Present Perfect Tense: কোন কাজ এই মাত্র শেষ হয়েছে এবং এর ফলাফল এখনো বর্তমান আছে, Present Perfect Tense তাকে বলে।

Structure: Subject + have/has + মূল verb এর Past participle + বাকী অংশ (যদি থাকে)।

Example: I have had the news.

Present Perfect Continuous Tense: কোন কাজ পূর্বে শুরু হয়ে বর্তমানেও চলতেছে তাকে Present perfect Continuous Tense বলে।

Structure: Subject + have been/has been + মূল এর verb শেষে ing + বাকী অংশ (যদি থাকে)

Example: A person has been living in this house since 1976.

Past Indefinite Tense: অতীতে কোন কাজ ঘটেছিল বুঝালে Past Indefinite Tense হয়।

Structure: Subject + মূল verb এর past form + বাকী অংশ (যদি থাকে)।

Example: I read an interesting book two days ago.

Past Continuous Tense: অতীতে কোন কাজ কিছুক্ষণ ধরে চলছিল বুঝালে Past Continuous Tense হয়।

Structure: Subject + was/were + মূল verb শেষে ing + বাকী অংশ (যদি থাকে)।

Example: An action was being done in the past.

Past Perfect Tense: অতীতকালের দুটি কাজ সম্পন্ন হয়ে থাকলে তাদের মধ্যে যেটি আগে ঘটেছিল সেটি Past Perfect হয় এবং যেটি পরে হয়েছিল সেটি Simple Past Tense হয়।

Structure: Subject + had + মূল Verb এর Past participle + বাকী অংশ (যদি থাকে)।

Example: He had spoken the truth.

Past Perfect Continuous Tense: অতীত সংঘটিত দুটি কাজের মধ্যে অপেক্ষাকৃত পূর্বের কাজটি দীর্ঘ সময় ধরে চলতেছিল বুঝালে Past Perfect Continuous Tense হয়।

Structure: Subject + had + been + মূল এর verb শেষে ing + বাকী অংশ (যদি থাকে)।

Example: I had been eating.

Future Indefinite Tense: কোন কাজ ভবিষ্যত সংঘটিত হবে বুঝালে Future Indefinite Tense হয়।

Structure: Subject + shall / will + মূল Verb এর Present form + বাকী অংশ (যদি থাকে)।

Example: He will go to USA next month.

Future Continuous Tense: ভবিষ্যতকালে কোন কাজ হতে থাকবে বুঝালে Future Continuous Tense হবে।

Structure: Subject + shall be / will be + মূল Verb এর শেষে ing + বাকী অংশ (যদি থাকে)।

Example: I will be sleeping at that time.

Future Perfect Tense: ভবিষ্যতকালে কোন নির্দিষ্ট সময়ের মধ্যে কোন কাজ হয়ে যাবে বুঝালে Future Perfect Tense হয়।

Structure: Subject + shall have /will have + মূল verb এর past participle + বাকী অংশ (যদি থাকে)।

Example: He will have gone home.

Future Perfect Continuous Tense: ভবিষ্যতকালে কোন সময়ের মধ্যে কোন কাজ চলতে থাকবে বুঝালে Future Perfect Continuous Tense হয়।

Structure: Subject + shall have been/will have been + মূল এর verb শেষে ing + বাকী অংশ (যদি থাকে)।

Example: They will have been doing.

Sequence of Tense: একটি বাক্য একাধিক Tense ব্যবহার হলে তাদের মধ্যে ধারাবাহিকতা বজায় রেখে যথাযথভাবে ব্যবহার করাই Sequence of Tense.

Example: I went to his house yesterday but could not meet him.

The Tense Markers : কিছু কিছু শব্দ বা শব্দগুচ্ছ আছে যা দেখে বোঝা যায় বাক্যের verb টি কোন Tense হবে।

Tense	Tense Markers
1. Present Indefinite	always, sometimes, everyday, daily, regularly, usually, normally
2. Present Continuous	now, at this moment, at this time, at present/ moment
3. Present Perfect	already, just, just now, get, never, ever, lately, recently
4. Past Indefinite	since, for, how long

Tense	Tense Markers
5. Past Continuous	yesterday, ago, long ago, long since, last, last night, last week, last year, as soon as
6. Past Perfect	at that moment, at that time, then
7. Future Indefinite	before, after
8. Future Continuous	tomorrow, next week/ year, coming, ensuring
9. Future Perfect	by this time, by next, by next

Sequence of Tense

Principal Clause এর Verb যদি Past Tense হয় তাহলে Subordinate clause এর Verb Narration এর নিয়ম অনুযায়ী সাধারণত Corresponding Past Tense হয়। অর্থাৎ

Present Indefinite থাকলে	Past Indefinite হয়।
Example:	He said that he went to college.
Present Continues থাকলে	Past Continuous হয়।
Example:	He said that he was going to college then.
Present Perfect থাকলে	Past Perfect হয়।
Example:	He said that he had gone to college yesterday.
Past Indefinite থাকলে	Past perfect হয়।
Example:	He said that he had already finished his work.
Will থাকলে	Would হয়।
Example:	He said that he would go to college the following day.

The Subjunctive Mood

Ask, advise, command, demand, insist, order, prefer, propose, recommend, request, suggest, urge, necessary, important, imperative, mandatory, obligatory, required, proposed, suggested	+ that + sub + base form of verb [Affirmative Sentence] + that + sub + not + base form of verb [Negative Sentence] + that + sub + should + V ₁
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BCS Previous Questions

- Samin is my colleague. I ... him for ten years.** [46th BCS]
ক. know খ. knew গ. have known ঘ. have been known Ans. c
- I didn't follow who passed by me. It ... Shajib.** [46th BCS]
ক. were খ. must be গ. might be ঘ. was Ans. c
- Choose the right form of verb: The boy (to lie) on the floor yesterday.** [45th BCS]
ক. lies খ. lied গ. lay ঘ. layed Ans. c
- Choose the right form of verb: The boy (to lie) on the floor yesterday.** [45th BCS]
(a) lies (b) lied (c) lay (d) layed Ans. c
- It is high time we (act) on the matter.** [43rd BCS]
(a) are acting (b) acted (c) have acted (d) could act Ans. b
- Complete the sentence: if I were you, I take the money.** [42nd BCS]
(a) Shall (b) will (c) would (d) may Ans. c
- Which one is a correct sentence?** [41st BCS]
(a) The doctor tooks my pulse. (b) The doctor took my pulse.
(c) The doctor examined my pulse. (d) The doctor saw my pulse. Ans. b
- When water — it turns into ice.** [38th BCS]
(a) freezes (b) will freeze (c) would freeze (d) forze Ans. a
- Teacher said, "The earth — round the sun."** [36th BCS]
(a) moves (b) moved (c) has moved (d) will be moving Ans. a
- Don't make a noise while your father —** [24th BCS]
(a) is being asleep (b) is sleeping (c) asleep (d) has slept Ans. b
- The prices of rice are —** [29th BCS]
(a) raising (b) risen (c) rising (d) raised Ans. c
- After food has been dried or canned, — for later consumption.** [32rd BCS]
(a) it should be stored (b) that it should be stored
(c) should be stored (d) which should be stored Ans. a
- Just now he — his dinner but he says he'll see you when he's finished.** [24th BCS]
(a) is having (b) has had (c) was having (d) had Ans. b
- I opened the door as soon as I — the bell.** [24th BCS]
(a) have heard (b) was hearing (c) am heard (d) heard Ans. d
- As the sun —, I decided to go out.** [26th BCS]
(a) has shone (b) shine (c) shines (d) was shining Ans. d

16. **Even as harvesting was going on —.** [23rd BCS]
 (a) the rainy season began (b) the rainy season was began
 (c) the rainy season and began (d) the rainy season begins
 Ans. a
17. **He had written the book before he —** [29th BCS]
 (a) retired (b) had retired (c) has retired (d) will be retired
 Ans. a
18. **She told me his name after he —** [25th BCS]
 (a) left (b) had left (c) has left (d) has been leaving
 Ans. b
19. **The path — paved, so we were able to walk through the path.** [22nd BCS]
 (a) was (b) had been (c) has been (d) being
 Ans. b
20. **According to the conditions of my scholarship, after finishing my degree —** [20th BCS]
 (a) my educations will be employed by the University
 (c) the University will employ me
 (b) employment will be given to me by the University
 (d) I will be employed of the University
 Ans. d
21. **The intensive search was conducted by the detectives to locate those criminals who —.** [20th BCS]
 (a) have had escaped (b) had escaped (c) are escaping (d) have been escaping
 Ans. b
22. **Identify the correct sentence?** [36th BCS]
 (a) Yesterday, he has gone home (b) Yesterday, he did gone home
 (c) Yesterday, he had gone home (d) Yesterday, he went home
 Ans. d
23. **Choose the wrong sentence.** [31st BCS]
 (a) He was always arguing with his brother. (b) He failure resulted for lack of attention.
 (c) When will you write to him about your plan?
 (d) Who was the boy you were all laughing at?
 Ans. b
24. **Which sentence is correct?** [27th BCS]
 (a) This is an unique case. (b) This is a unique case.
 (c) This is a very unique case. (d) This is the most unique case.
 Ans. b
25. **Which of the following sentences is correct?** [25th BCS]
 (a) Why have you done this? (b) Why you had done this?
 (c) Why you have done this? (d) Why did you done this?
 Ans. a
26. **Choose the correct sentence.** [23rd BCS]
 (a) I have looked for a good doctor before I met you.
 (b) I had looked for a good doctor before I met
 (c) I looked for a good doctor before I had met you.
 (d) I am looking for a good doctor before meeting you.
 Ans. b
27. **Which of the following sentences is the correct one?** [25th BCS]
 (a) My father was in hospital during six weeks in summer.
 (b) My summer during six weeks my father was in hospital.
 (c) My father was in a hospital during six weeks in summer.
 (d) My father was in hospital for six weeks during the summer.
 Ans. d
28. **Identify the correct sentence?** [23rd BCS]
 (a) She had faith in and hopes for the future. (b) She had faith and hopes for the future.
 (c) She had faith and hopes in the future. (d) she had faith and hopes in future.
 Ans. a
29. **Choose the correct sentence.** [23rd BCS]
 (a) Rahim ate almost the whole fish. (b) Rahim almost ate the whole fish.
 (c) Almost Rahi ate whole fish. (d) Rahim ate the whole fish almost.
 Ans. a
30. **The correct sentence of the followings —** [17th BCS]
 (a) A new cabinet has been sworn in in Dhaka (b) A new cabinet has been sworn in Dhaka
 (c) A new cabinet has been sworn by in Dhaka (d) A new cabinet has sworn in Dhaka
 Ans. a
31. **Which of the following is a correct proverb?** [16th BCS]
 (a) Fools rush in where angels fear to tread. (b) Fools rush in where an angel fears to tread.
 (c) A fool rushes in where an angle fears to tread (d) Fools rush in where the angels fear to tread.
 Ans. a
32. **Choose the correct sentence —** [11th BCS]
 (a) He had been hunged for murder. (b) He has been hunged for murder.
 (c) He was hanged for murder. (d) He was hunged of murder.
 Ans. c
33. **Choose the correct sentence —** [11th BCS]
 (a) Rich is not always happy. (b) The rich is not always happy.
 (c) The rich is not happy always. (d) The rich are not always happy.
 Ans. d
34. **Choose the correct sentence.** [10th BCS]
 (a) I asked Javed had he passed. (b) I asked Javed if he had passed.
 (c) I asked Javed if you had passed. (d) I asked Javed that had he passed.
 Ans. b

MCQ Episode

01. I came home after the rain ____ .
a. stopped b. stop c. was stop d. had stopped Ans. d
02. Complete shutdown (be) observed today against new.
a. is being b. can be c. is been d. was been Ans. a
03. Three fourth of the work ____ finished
a. have been b. had c. has been d. were Ans. c
04. Arif ____ before, I came
a. left b. Will have c. had left d. would have Ans. c
05. Rabindranath's stories often.... surprise endings.
a. had b. have c. has d. have had Ans. b
06. The news.....always bad now a days.
a. is b. was c. are d. were Ans. a
07. This book.....to my uncle
a. belonging b. is belonging c. belongs d. is belonging Ans. c
08. The Arabian Nights....still a great favorite
a. has b. are c. is d. were Ans. c
09. Your brother (go).....to school regularly.
a. goes b. had gone c. went d. going Ans. a
10. The baby....because it is hungry now.
a. is crying b. cries c. is d. are Ans. a
11. Listen;.....
a. he sing b. he is singing c. he sings d. he will sing Ans. b
12. I.... finished my letter yet.
a. am not b. had not c. have not d. did not Ans. c
13. She.....just a few minutes ago.
a. left b. has left c. leaves d. had left Ans. b
14. No grammatical error occurs in-
a. I didn't eat since breakfast. b. I wasn't eating since breakfast.
c. I hadn't been eating since breakfast. d. I haven't eaten since breakfast. Ans. d
15. She is one of the most generous persons.....
a. I know b. which I know c. who I know d. I have ever known Ans. d
16. They've lived in that housethey were children
a. for b. during c. since d. until Ans. c
17. 'Past Indefinite Tense' means
a. To express an action just finished b. A single act in the past
c. An action was being done in the past d. An action completed before another past action Ans. b
18. What...last night
a. did you b. you did c. did you do d. had you done I (see) him long since Ans. c
19. The Past Continuous Tense' means-
a. An action was being done in the past b. A single act in the past
c. Action has been going on for something d. An action just finished Ans. a
20. My uncle arrived while Ithe dinner.
a. would cook b. had cooked c. cook d. was cooking Ans. d
21. Saima was reading a book waiting for the bus.
a. as though b. when c. while d. as Ans. c
22. What at two o'clock this afternoon?
a. are you doing b. were you doing c. did you do d. do you do Ans. c
23. I was terribly disappointed with my grade because I very hard.
a. studied b. was studying c. study d. had studied Ans. a
24. The meeting after the Chairman had arrived.
a. has begin b. has begun c. begins d. began Ans. d
25. Hardly had we reached school.....
a. when the bell rang b. than the bell rang c. the bell rang d. after the bell ringing Ans. a
26. She from flu when she was interviewed.
a. has been suffering b. suffered c. had suffered d. had been suffering Ans. d
27. When I met the boy he for several hours.
a. was crying b. cried c. didn't cry d. had been crying Ans. d

28. **We dinner together tomorrow.**
a. will have b. would be have c. have d. will have had Ans. a
29. **I am sick of rain and bad weather! Hopefully, when we wake up tomorrow morning, the sun....**
a. is shining b. will be shining c. will be shine d. will shining Ans. b
30. **By 2020, I John for 20 years.**
a. will be working b. will work c. will have worked d. am working Ans. c
31. **The publication of a new textbook by that company next month.**
a. will complete b. being completed c. will be completed d. will have been completed Ans. d
32. **It is a long time since I you last.**
a. had been b. saw c. was seen d. can see Ans. b
33. **As he not there, I spoke to his brother.**
a. is b. hadn't been c. was d. will Ans. c

Home Work

1. **Would you mind having a cup of tea?— is a sentence in**
a. Present tense b. Past tense
c. Present progressive tense d. Future tense Ans. a
2. **That room — for a meeting today—**
a. is used b. used c. is being used d. was used Ans. c
3. **Look! The girls — football.**
a. Play b. have played c. are playing d. played Ans. c
4. **How have you — all these years?**
a. been b. be c. were d. there Ans. a
5. **I — here since 1980.**
a. live b. am living c. have been living d. lived Ans. c
6. **Jashim looks sick —.**
a. He has suffered for fever for the last 3 days
b. He has been suffering form fever for the last 3 days
c. He has been suffering with fever for the last 3 days
d. He has been suffering of fever for the last 3 days Ans. b
7. **Since he is living in Dhaka for five years, he is reluctant to leave the city.**
a. Since he is living b. Being that he is living
c. Since he was living d. Since he has been living Ans. d
8. **The teacher suggested that her students — experiences with EPS.**
a. write a composition on their b. to write a composition about
c. write some compositions of his or her d. had written any compositions for his Ans. a
9. **The doctor insisted that his patient —**
a. that he not work too for three months b. take it easy for three months
c. taking it easy inside for three months d. to take some vacations for three months Ans. b
10. **The number of people who came to the concert — disappointing.**
a. are b. is c. would be d. very Ans. c
11. **He — breakfast yesterday?**
a. hadn't b. Not had c. had not d. didn't have Ans. d
12. **I — before Mr. Rahman went to my office.**
a. have arrived b. had arrived c. is arrived d. would arrived Ans. b
13. **Hakim — for a new room —mate before he finally succeeded.**
a. has been looking b. will be looking c. had been looking d. has looked Ans. c
14. **I will phone you when I — the news.**
a. am getting b. get c. will get d. will be getting Ans. b
15. **It seemed that —.**
a. the day will never end b. the day would never end
c. the day never ends d. the day never ended Ans. b
16. **The light went out while I —**
a. read b. had read c. was reading d. had been reading Ans. c