

GRAMMAR FOR THE USE

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| Present simple active | My friend lives in Scotland. I don't normally eat fish. The best oranges grow in Spain. The plane arrives in Boston at 10.30am. Now I understand that you've been right. | Routine; facts; habits; timetables + stative verbs with 'now' |
| Pr. simple passive | English is spoken all over the world. Greeting cards are still sent by many British people. | Action performed by sb/sth (in general) |
| Past simple active | In 2022 he graduated from university. I. Newton made great contributions to the world of science. Who told you about...? I first travelled on my own when I was 24. | Action started and finished in the past (in; ago; when, after, last) |
| Past simple passive | In the past, many diseases were caused by a lack of hygiene. Australia was discovered by J. Cook. | Action performed by sb/sth in the past |
| Future - Will active | Scientists claim that we will soon use solar energy for our everyday needs. | Distant future; prediction=opinion |
| Future-Will passive | In the future, electric cars will be used for travelling both short and long distances. | Prediction of sth done by sb/sth |
| Present continuous | She is revising for her exam in the library. We are meeting on Monday morning. He is always complaining! More and more people are choosing extreme holidays these days. Can you explain why this is happening nowadays? | Action in progress; trends; annoying behavior; fixed plans (now, at the moment, today, look, always+!, nowadays, these days) |
| Past continuous | As she was traveling on her own, she faced many problems. I couldn't see it but felt that they were following us. | Action in progress at a specific time in the past (while, as, when, at that time) |
| Present perfect | I have always loved spring. She says her life has been hard since she moved house. We haven't learnt many new Spanish words this month. We haven't seen any films recently/so far. | Life experience; past action with a result; unfinished past (just, (recently, lately, yet, already, so far, since, for, over, until recently) |
| Past perfect | After they had lived in London for 25 years, they decided to move to Brighton. She knew that they had bought a cottage. By 1880 the Tube had acquired 10 new stations. | Past action prior to another one in the past |
| 1st Conditional | If he doesn't turn up in 5 minutes, we'll be late. I'll meet you at the airport if you let me know the flight details. | Real possibility of doing sth |
| 2nd Conditional | Their life would be happier if they had children. If I were you, I wouldn't trust him. | Unreal/desired possibility |
| Wish | I wish you weren't so stubborn. He wishes he had more friends. | Regret, desire contrary to reality |
| Participle I | We heard a strange noise coming from the attic. Be careful (when) crossing the street. Doing this job she was happy. | Used when there's no full grammatical centre |
| Participle II | The book, first published in 2005, became a bestseller. Built in the 18 th century, the house is still used as residential. | Used when there's no full grammatical centre |
| Gerund | I hate washing up but don't mind cooking. Cycling is popular in Amsterdam. She gave up working after getting married. | Used in the function of a noun |
| Infinitive | They didn't want to wait any longer. She called me to learn the news. We left early not to be late for the performance. | Used to show an intention/aim |
| Sequence of tenses | She <u>didn't expect</u> that he would be so upset by the news. He <u>said</u> that he had already booked the seats. It was clear for me that they weren't happy about the trip. Just 100 years ago nobody <u>believed</u> that humans would/could explore space. | If the <u>main clause</u> is in the past, the subordinate clause must be in the past |

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| Modal verbs | Given: Martin _____ believed his eyes when he saw Ella. (CANNOT) Answer: Martin couldn't believe his eyes when ... Given: I knew they _____ argue about that. (MAY) Answer: I knew that they might argue about that. | Are given in the exam to change the form |
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WORD FORMATION

From a verb: a noun (mainly), a participle, a gerund, an adjective, an adverb (rarely)

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| noun | a) Dali's <u>creativity</u> was amazing. b) Platypus is a weird <u>creature</u> . | create |
| person | Who was the <u>creator</u> of the radio? | create |
| participle I | <u>Creating</u> his models, Gaudi never used drawings. | create |
| participle II | This temple, <u>created</u> in the late 17 th century has survived in good condition. | create |
| gerund | <u>Creating</u> (=the <u>creation</u>) of a 3D model can be easily done on a computer. | create |
| adjective | Younger employees often <u>brainstorm creative</u> ideas. | create |
| adverb | She is <u>creatively</u> discovering ways to do things better. | create |

From a noun: a plural noun, an adjective, adverb (rarely), a complex/another noun (rarely)

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| plural noun | How many <u>times</u> a week do you work out in the gym? | time |
| adjective | a) His <u>untimely</u> death shocked the public. b) She is really <u>time-conscious</u> . | time |
| negative adj. | a) It's <u>senseless</u> to cry over spilt milk. b) He appeared <u>insensitive</u> and selfish. | sense |
| adverb | He has always acted <u>sensibly</u> , if not pragmatically. | sense |
| noun | Her <u>sensitivity</u> makes it difficult for her to overcome failures. | sense |
| complex n. | Have you seen our new <u>timetable</u> ? | time |

From an adjective: an adverb, a noun, a comparison, an adjective with a negative suffix/prefix

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| adverb | a) She smiled <u>patiently</u> at the kids. b) He waited <u>impatiently</u> for her reply. | patient |
| noun | <u>Patience</u> has never been his strong point. | patient |
| comparison | a) You should be <u>more patient</u> . b) She is the <u>most patient</u> mother I know. | patient |
| negative adj. | <u>Impatient</u> people can't wait. | patient |

From a pronoun: a plural form, an object/reflexive/possessive pronoun, possessive adjective

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| plural determiner | Whose are <u>these</u> gloves? | this |
| object pronoun | He asked <u>them</u> to fetch a chair from the room. | they |
| reflexive pronoun | We didn't recognise <u>ourselves</u> in the photo! | we |
| possessive pronoun | No, this isn't your car; it's <u>ours</u> ! | we |
| possessive adjective | The tiger is carnivorous; <u>its</u> food is large-bodied animals. | it |

Use a gerund after all verbs followed by prepositions (be keen on, object to, be good at, succeed in...)

Always use a gerund after the following verbs: enjoy, fancy, be worth, be busy, (not) mind, suggest, avoid, consider, keep, imagine, accept, quit, practise, spend/waste (time), admit (to), deny, can't stand, can't help, it's no use, finish, end up (with), tolerate, go (+activity).

Always use an infinitive after the following verbs: want, decide, choose, manage, fail, would like, agree, refuse, promise, can (not) afford

Negative prefixes

| <i>before</i> | <i>commonly</i> | <i>sometimes</i> |
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| e - in | inexpensive, inexplicable, inefficient, ineffective, inevitable, inequality (<i>quantity</i>) | unemotional, unemployed, unexpected, unequal (<i>quality</i>) |
| de/di - in | indifferent, indiscreet, indecent, indecisive, indispensable, independent, indefinite, indirect | undeniable, undemanding |
| s - in | inseparable, insensitive, insensible, insecure, insufficient, insufferable, insane, insincere | unsolvable, unsuccessful, unspeakable |
| c - in | incorrect, incapable, incredible, inconvenient, incurable, inconceivable, incompatible, incomparable, incompetent | unconfident, uncooperative, unconscious |
| r - ir | irresponsible, irrelevant, irresistible, irregular, irrational, irremovable | unreliable |
| l - il | illegal, illiterate, illegible, illogical, illiberal, illaudable, illegitimate | unlawful, disloyal |
| m - im | immature, immortal, immoral, immaculate | unmarried |
| p - im | impractical, impatient, improbable, imperfect, impossible, impolite, improper | unpunctual, empower, unpredictable |
| a - in | inaccessible, inapplicable, inattentive, inappropriate, inaccurate | unattractive, unacceptable, unable |
| -mis | mismatch, misguide, misconception, mislead, misunderstand, mistrust, misbehave, misspell, mispronounce | |
| -dis | disobedient, dishonest, disrespect, disorder, discourage, disloyal, disabled, displeased, dissatisfied, disagree, disbelief, disregard | |
| -in | invalid, intolerant, inscribe, influx, infamous, infinity, infernal | |
| -un | with most words | |

Other prefixes: **en** (enable, encourage, ensure); **in** (insure); **pre** (prehistoric); **re** (reassure, recreate); **over** (overcooked); **under** (underestimated); **inter** (interactive); **out** (outrageous); **fore** (foretell).

Suffixes

| <i>Verb - noun</i> | <i>Noun - noun</i> | <i>Adjective - noun</i> | <i>Verb - adjective</i> | <i>Noun - adjective</i> |
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| -ment settlement | -ship internship | -ance relevance | -ent/ant obedient, significant | -ous ambitious |
| -ance reliance | -hood brotherhood | -ence competence | -able/ible eatable, responsible | -ible/able sensible, comfortable |
| -ence difference | -dom boredom | -ty poverty | -ate considerate | -ive sensitive |
| -age usage | -ry rivalry | -ry greenery | -ive inventive | -ful thoughtful |
| -er/or carer, conductor | -or/er warrior, philosopher | -cy democracy | -ing amazing | -an/ian suburban, draconian |
| -al approval | -ist chemist | -th length | -ful forgetful | -al financial |
| -ion invention | -ian historian | -ness uneasiness | | -ate moderate |
| -ce notice | | | | -y/ly salty, friendly |
| -ty celebrity | | | | -ish childish |
| -ant applicant | | | | -less pointless |
| -est conquest | | | | -al cultural |
| -ure failure | | | | -ic economic |