

GRAMMAR: TENSES: CASES & EXAMPLES (PRESENT)

Match examples with definitions.

1. Identify the tense, match with the correct description.

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| <u>1</u> They are getting married this summer. | 1. fixed arrangements in the near future |
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| <u>6</u> Paula has become more independent since starting university. | 2. permanent truths or laws of nature |
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| <u>8</u> Clare is looking for a new flat. | 3. actions started at a stated time in the past and continuing up to the present |
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| <u>3</u> The child has been missing since last night. | 4. reviews/sports commentaries/dramatic narratives |
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| <u>4</u> The robber waves his gun and everyone gets down on the floor. | 5. timetables/programmes (future meaning) |
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| <u>9</u> They employ staff from all over the world. | 6. personal experiences/changes that have happened |
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| <u>2</u> The sun rises in the east and sets in the west. | 7. emphasis on duration of an action that began in the past and continues up to the present |
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| <u>7</u> We've been sharing a flat for years. | 8. actions taking place at or around the moment of speaking; temporary situations |
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| <u>5</u> The course starts on 10th October. | 9. permanent situations or states |
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2. Identify the tense, match with the correct description.

(9 points)

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| <u>3</u> Bill always stops to buy milk on his way to work. | 1. emphasis on number, frequency |
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| <u>9</u> The new serial is growing in popularity. | 2. exclamatory sentences |
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| <u>2</u> There goes the last bus! | 3. repeated/habitual actions |
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| <u>5</u> Scientists have just discovered a way to prevent Memory loss. | 4. actions which happened at an unstated past time and are connected to the present |
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| <u>1</u> Andrea has phoned me every day this week. | 5. recently completed actions |
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8 Laura is always criticising my
- appearance.

7 I feel exhausted as I have been working
- on my assignment all night.

6 He's been asking to borrow money
- again.

4 The Kellys have moved to Manchester.
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6. expressing anger, irritation, annoyance or criticism

7. past actions of certain duration having visible
results/effects in the present

8. frequently repeated actions with 'always' expressing
the speaker's annoyance or criticism

9. changing or developing situations