



Understanding Verb Tenses

Today's Standard

5.L.1c - Use verb tense to convey various times, sequences, states, and conditions.

Cues	Notes
What are verb tenses?	Verb tenses indicate the time of action or state of being.
Why is verb tense consistency important?	Consistency in verb tense helps maintain clarity and coherence in writing.
What is the difference between past and present perfect tenses?	Past perfect is used for actions completed before another past action. Present perfect is used for actions that occurred at an indefinite time or began in the past and continue to the present.
How can verb tenses convey different times?	Using different verb tenses can show a sequence of events or different states and conditions.
What are common mistakes with verb tenses?	Common mistakes include inconsistent tenses and confusing past and present perfect tenses.

Summary

Verb tenses are crucial for indicating the time of actions and maintaining clarity in writing. Understanding and consistently using the correct verb tenses helps convey sequences, states, and conditions accurately.