



## Verb Tense Consistency

### Today's Standard

5.L.1d - Recognize and correct inappropriate shifts in verb tense.\*

### Real-World Applications for this Standard

Writing a story with consistent verb tenses; Editing a peer's essay for verb tense shifts; Correcting verb tenses in a passage from a book; Creating sentences with different verb tenses and ensuring consistency; Identifying verb tense errors in a letter or email

### Today I Learned

Today, we learned about keeping our verb tenses the same in our writing. This helps make our stories and essays easier to understand.

### Common Stumbling Blocks

Some kids think it's okay to change verb tenses if the meaning is clear, but this can confuse readers. Others think changing tenses makes writing more fun, but it can make it hard to follow.

### Quiz Me

- What is a verb tense?
- Can you give an example of a past tense verb?
- Why should we keep our verb tenses the same?
- What happens if we change verb tenses in a story?
- How can we fix verb tense mistakes?

### Help Me

Keeping verb tenses the same means using the same time for actions in a sentence. For example, 'She walked to the store and bought milk.' This helps people understand our writing better.