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LESSON NOTES

School: Ba Sangam College		Year/Level: 9	Name:	
Subject: English		Week 10	Year:	
Strand	Writing and Shaping			
Sub Strand	Language features and rules			
Content	Explore and illustrate language and literary features and rules in a range of			
Learning	printed and visual text.			
Outcome				

Tenses

Tenses play a crucial role in the English language. It denotes the time an action takes place.

- There are three tenses (past tense, present tense and future tense)
- Each of the three above mentioned tenses can be further divided into subparts:
 - > Simple
 - > Continuous
 - Perfect
 - Perfect continuous

THE 12 VERB TENSES - USAGE					
	PAST	PRESENT	FUTURE		
SIMPLE	She ate cheesecake	She eats cheesecake	She will eat		
	yesterday.	everyday.	cheesecake		
			tomorrow.		
	to indicate a past habit – or	to indicate a future			
	an action already	event on a designated	to indicate an action,		
	completed.	date as part of a plan	condition which		
		or arrangement.	hasn't taken place		
			yet.		
CONTINUOUS	she was eating cheesecake	She is eating	She will be eating		
	when her friends arrived.	cheesecake right	cheesecake when her		
		now.	friends arrive.		
	to indicate uncompleted				
	action of the past.	to indicate action	to indicate what will		
		going on at the time	be going on at some		
		of speaking.	time in the future.		
PERFECT	She had eaten all the	She has eaten all the	She will have eaten		
	cheesecake when her	cheesecake.	all the cheesecake by		
	friends arrived.		the time her friends		
		to indicate past action	arrive.		
	to indicate a complete	which is not defined			
	action of the past that	by a time of	to indicate an action		
	happened before another	occurrence.	that will be complete		

	event took place.		before another event
			takes place.
PERFECT	She had been eating	She has been eating	She will have been
CONTINUOUS	cheesecake for two hours	cheesecake for two	eating cheesecake for
	when her friends arrived.	hours.	two hours when her
			friends arrive.
	to indicate an action in the	to indicate an action	
	past that began before a	which started at some	to indicate an action
	certain point in the past	point in the past and	that will have
	and continued up until that	may or may not be	happened for some
	time.	completed.	time and will not be
			complete yet at a
			certain point in the
			future.

Activity Questions

- A. Fill in the correct form of the verb.
- 1. My parents _____ (be) in New York two weeks from today.
- 2. Nothing much ______ (happen) when I got to the meeting.
- 3. I was tired yesterday because I _____ (not sleep) well the night before.
- 4. When I left the house this morning, it ______ (already rain).
- 5. They _____ (be) in Chigaco for 20 years.

A	write	В
	your	
	answers	
	here	
1. He goes to school every morning.		A. past simple tense
2. I have been writing articles on different		B. present continuous tense
topics since morning.		
3. Jane had been gossiping in the coffee		C. past continuous tense
shop for two hours.		
4. They are playing football now.		D. future simple tense
5. He was studying in the library.		E. present perfect tense
6. I came here after you had left.		F. Future continuous tense
7. I saw a movie last week.		G. present perfect continuous tense
8. Bob will be going to the library.		H. past perfect continuous tense
9. It will rain tomorrow.		I. present simple tense
10. She has lived here all her life.		J. past perfect tense

B. Matching: match the sentence in column A with its correct tense in column B. (10 marks)

(15 marks)

(5 marks)