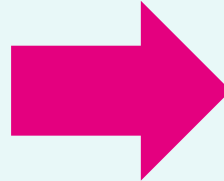
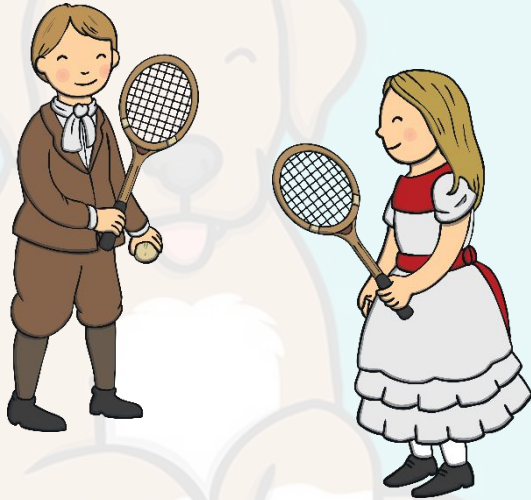




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**Past Tense**  
Warm-Up



Can you write two sentences to describe these pictures using **simple past tense** and **simple present tense**?

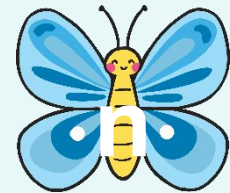
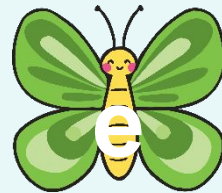
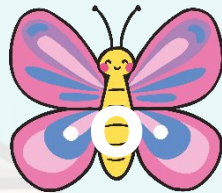
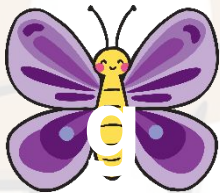
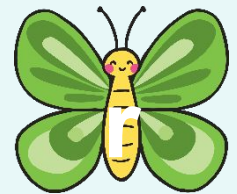
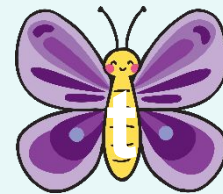
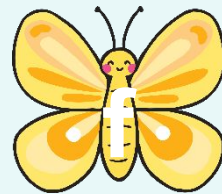
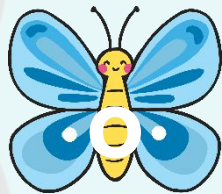
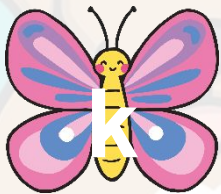


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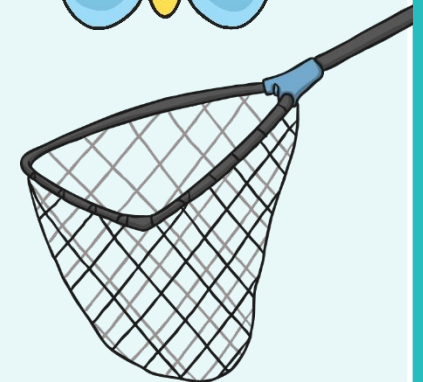
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I forgot to bring my P.E. kit to school so I can't do P.E.



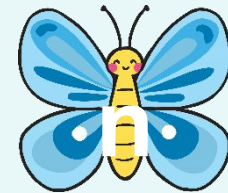
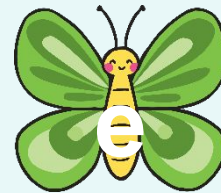
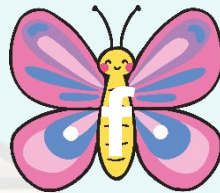
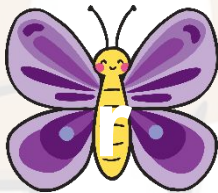
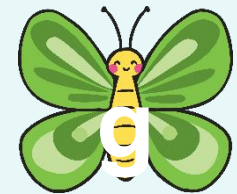
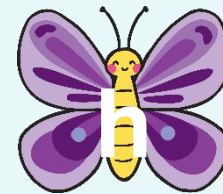
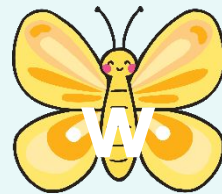
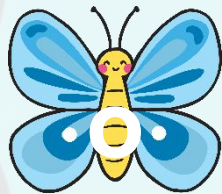
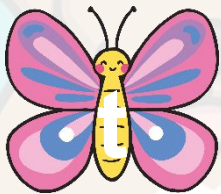
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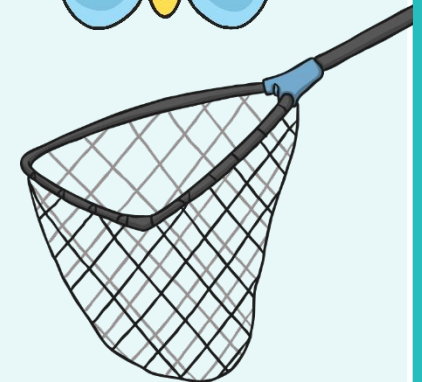
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The roses in my garden grow.



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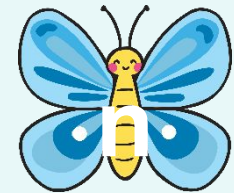
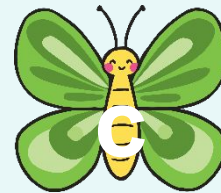
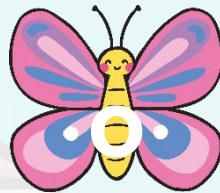
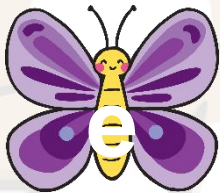
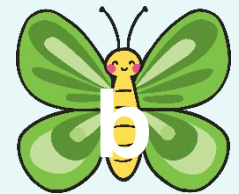
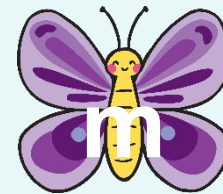
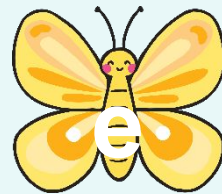
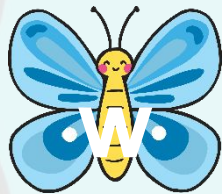
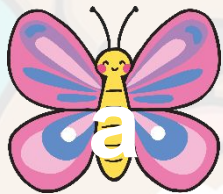
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When the witch cast a spell on him, he became a slimy frog.

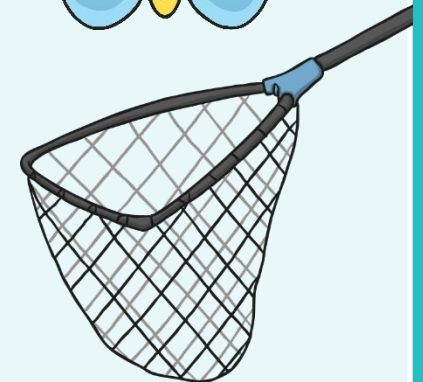


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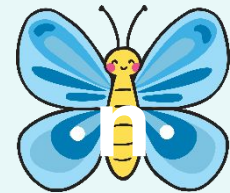
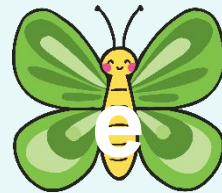
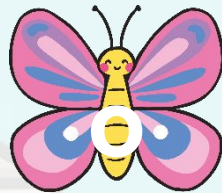
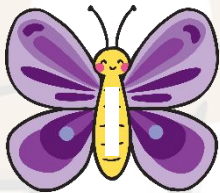
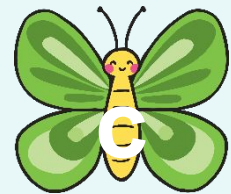
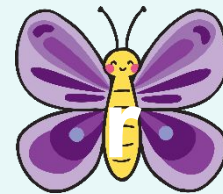
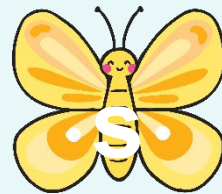
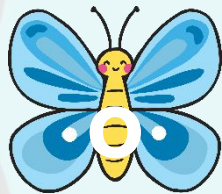
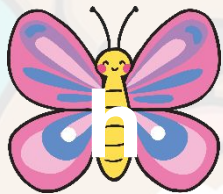
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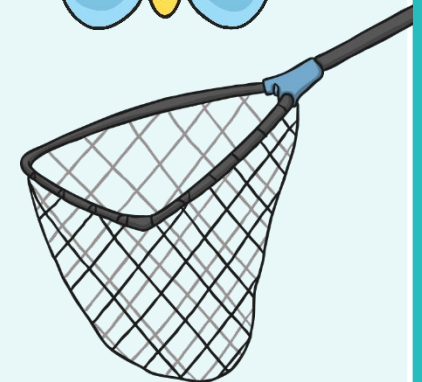
This is my party so I get to choose the party games that we play!



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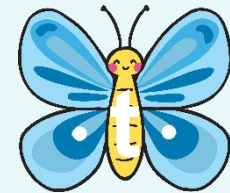
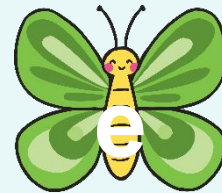
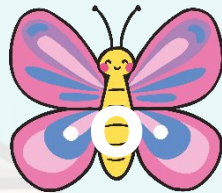
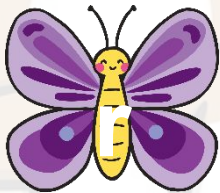
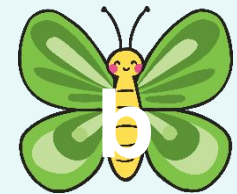
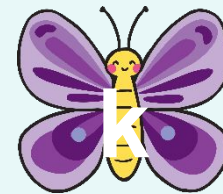
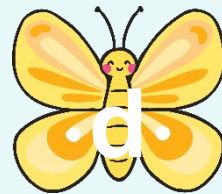
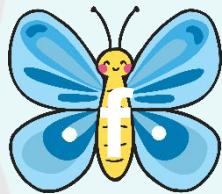
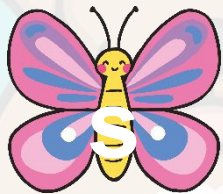
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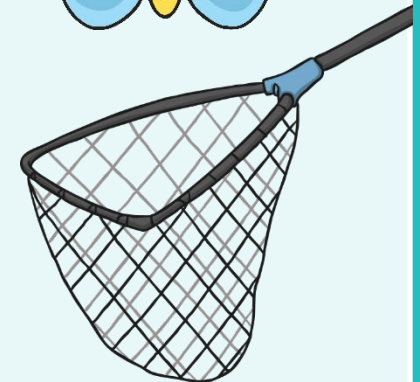
Mandeep broke her leg so she can't take part in the race.



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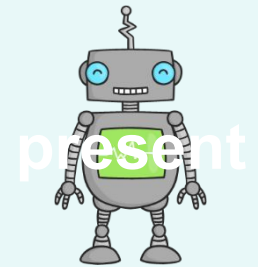
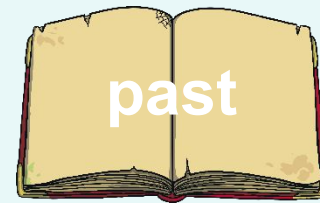
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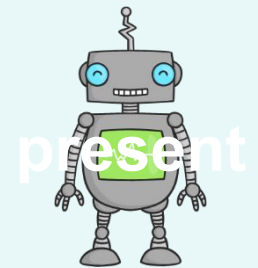


Are these sentences written in the simple **past** or **present** tense?  
Click the old book or the modern robot to choose which you think it is. How do you know?

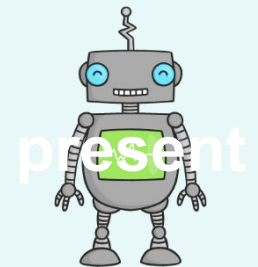
I ride my bike around the field.



I knew the answer to the question.

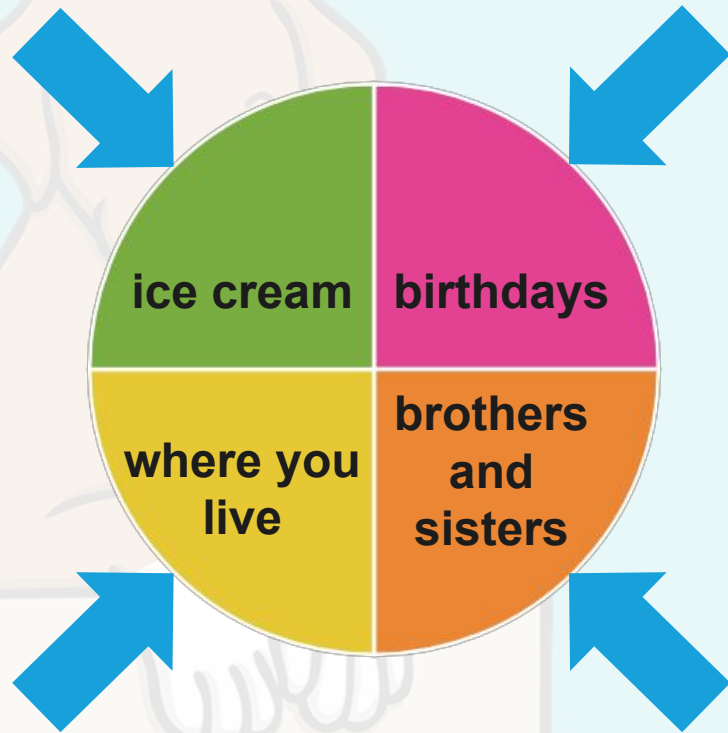


I wear my sunglasses in the summer.

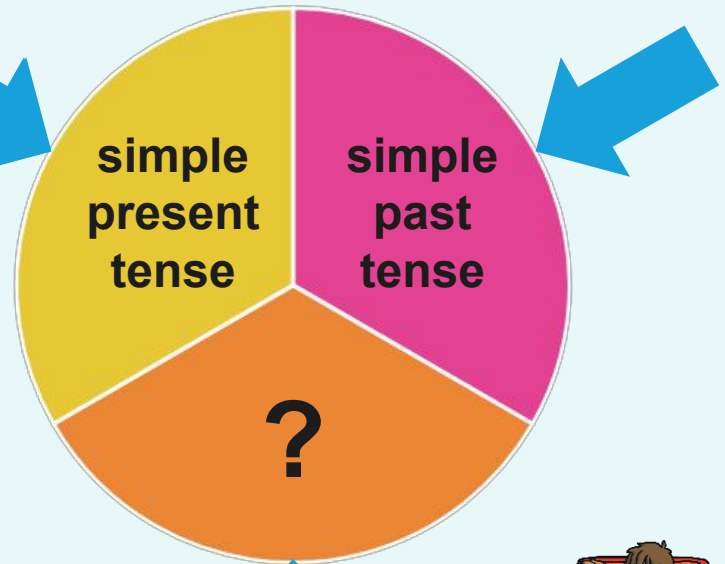




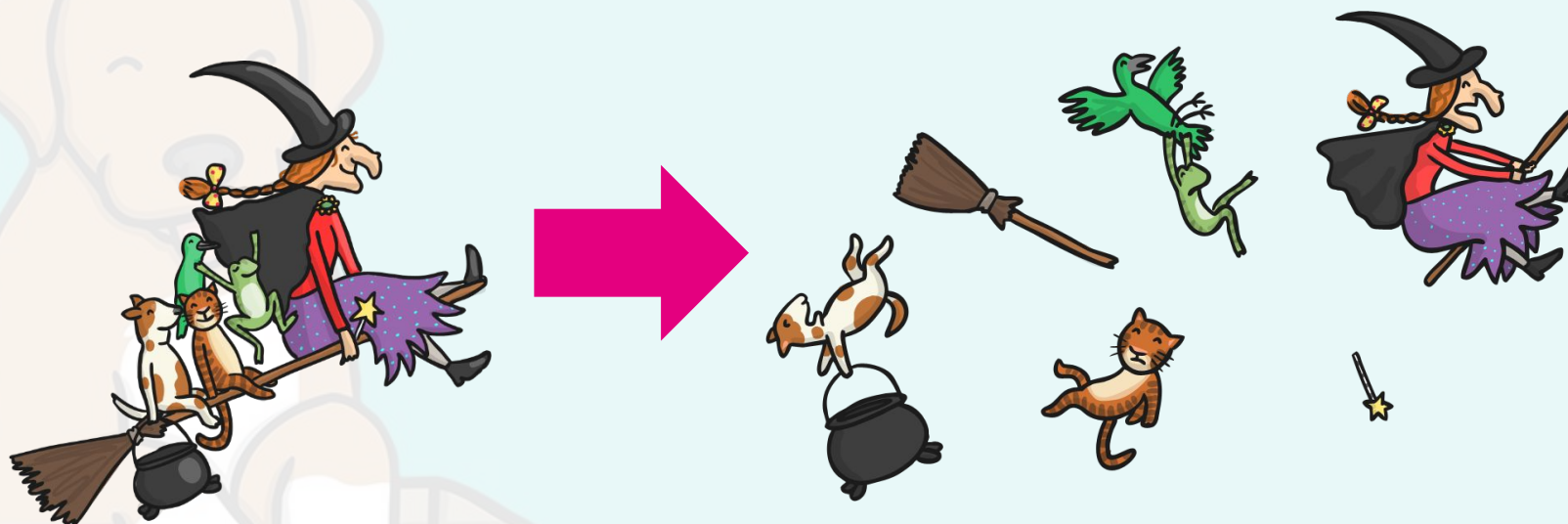
Spin the spinners! Write a sentence about the topic selected by the first spinner in the tense selected by the second spinner. If you spin ? then try to write two sentences using both tenses!



**one more time!**




Can you write two sentences to describe these pictures using the **simple past tense** and the **simple present tense**?



Show  
answer

One sentence must use a past tense verb and one must use a present tense verb. For example: All the animals **ride** on the broom. The animals **fell** off the broom.

This sentence has been mixed up. Can you put it in the right order? Do you think it is **simple present** or **simple past** tense?



**school the Maya bus yesterday. caught  
to**


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Maya caught the bus to school yesterday.  
This is written in the **simple past tense**.

challenge

Can you write your own mixed-up sentence for your partner? Can they say if it is in simple past or present tense?

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**bolognese. cooks Dad delicious spaghetti**

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Dad cooks delicious spaghetti bolognese.  
This is written in the **simple present tense**.

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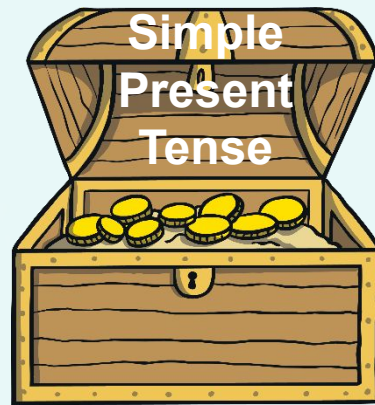
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One sentence must use a past tense verb and one must use a present tense verb. For example: The children **were** nice and clean before the food fight. They **are** very dirty after the food fight.





Can you sort the sentences into simple **past** and simple **present** tense? Put the simple past tense sentences into the rubbish bin and the simple present tense sentences into the treasure chest.

Can you think of a sentence of your own that you could put into the treasure chest and the rubbish bin?

I had fun  
at the  
fair.

I  
watched  
the  
parade  
go by.


Emily  
solved  
the  
puzzle.

She plays  
the  
trombone.

He  
wants to  
go to  
ballet  
class.

Hamza  
spells  
words  
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Can you click on the letters in this verb to change this sentence from simple **present** tense to simple **past** tense? What do you think each letter will change to?

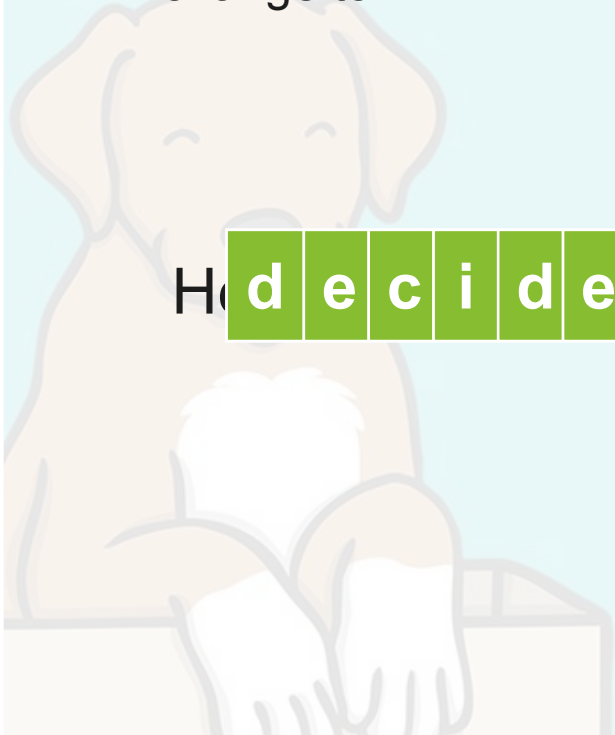
A faint, light-colored illustration of a dog sitting on a box, positioned behind the main text.

She **w e n t** to the supermarket with her mum.

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answer

She **went** to the supermarket with her mum.

Can you click on the letters in this verb to change this sentence from simple **past** tense to simple **present** tense? What do you think each letter will change to?


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He **d e c i d e s** to walk to the park by himself.

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He **decides** to walk to the park by himself.

Can you click on the letters in this verb to change this sentence from simple **present** tense to simple **past** tense? What do you think each letter will change to?



I **r e a d** my favourite poem aloud.

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answer

I **read** my favourite poem out loud. Some verbs, like **read**, change their pronunciation but not their spelling when they change from present to past tense.

Which verb would you choose to make these into simple **past** tense sentences?

Sentenc

Which Verb?  
(click)

I **brought** my pet puppy to school.

brought

bring

My puppy **bit** the teacher!

bit

bites

The teacher **met** with my mum and dad.

meets

met



Show  
answer



Split into two teams. Take it in turns to click on **two** cards. If you find the same sentence written in simple past tense and simple present tense then you score a point for your team. Whichever team has found the most pairs at the end of the game wins.



(Click the cards again to turn them back over if the words are not all found in that turn.)



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