

Timelines and Motions

Present:

| | | |
|---------------|-----------|-------------|
| Present | Now | Today |
| At the moment | Right now | Immediately |
| Start | This week | This month |
| This year | Term | This term |
| Just started | At last | Finish |
| Early | Late | Weekend |
| Week | Month | Year |
| Complete | Suddenly | Morning |
| Afternoon | Evening | Night |
| Day | All day | All night |

Past:

| | | |
|-----------------|-------------------------|-------------------|
| Past | Before | Some time ago |
| A long time ago | History | Last week |
| Last month | Last year | Recently |
| Very recently | Finished | An hour ago |
| Been / did that | Completed / all done | Finally / at last |
| Eventually | In the end / at the end | Last |
| Last night | Yesterday | Two days ago |
| Used to | Last weekend | |

Future:

| | | |
|-------------------|----------------------|------------------|
| Future | Will | Next week |
| Next month | Next year | Two weeks time |
| Three months time | Four years time | When all is done |
| Soon | Very soon | Nearly |
| One hour time | Later | Later on |
| Not yet | Far in to the future | Tomorrow |

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Other durations:

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|------------------------|----------------------|-------------------------|
| From now on | From then to now | Until |
| During that time | From start to finish | Monday to Friday |
| Over the next one hour | For two weeks | For three months |
| For four years | Sometimes | In the end / at the end |
| Week | Month | Year |

Continuing:

| | | |
|-----------------------|-----------------|----------------------|
| Continue / Continuous | Carry on | Always |
| Before | For two weeks | In the mean time |
| Occasionally | Termly | Frequently / often |
| Week after week | For a long time | For a very long time |
| Three times a day | Once a day | Yearly / annually |
| Every day | Every week | Every month |
| Every year | Regularly | Often |
| Forever / ever | Quarterly | Every four months |

Developing:

| | | |
|----------------------|---------------------------|--------------|
| Growing up | From the age of ... to... | |
| Getting old / ageing | 5 years old | 21 years old |
| Young / Youngest | Older | Oldest |

Conditional: (expression and body language required)

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|----------|----------|----------------------|
| If | Perhaps | Maybe |
| Could be | Possibly | When done / finished |
| But | However | So |

About to: (expression and body language required)

| | | |
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| About to start | To eat | To fly (aeroplane) |
| Just finishing | Just about to.... | |

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Week days:

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|----------|---------|-----------|
| Monday | Tuesday | Wednesday |
| Thursday | Friday | Saturday |
| Sunday | | |

Months:

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|---------|----------|-----------|
| January | February | March |
| April | May | June |
| July | August | September |
| October | November | December |

Year:

| | | |
|--------|--------|------------|
| 1880 | 1980 | 2006 |
| 2011 | 2012 | Century |
| Decade | Yearly | Millennium |
| 1970s | 1980s | 1990s |

Clock:

| | | |
|-----------------|-------------------|----------------|
| 1 o'clock | 2 o'clock | 3 o'clock |
| 4 o'clock | 5 o'clock | 6 o'clock |
| 7 o'clock | 8 o'clock | 9 o'clock |
| 10 o'clock | 11 o'clock | 12 o'clock |
| Quarter to | Quarter past | Half past |
| 10 to 5 | 10 past 6 | 20 to 11 |
| 25 past 12 | Half past 8 | |
| Second(s) | Minute(s) | Hour(s) |

Sequencing:

| | | |
|---|---------------------------------|---------|
| 1 st 2 nd 3 rd 4 th 5 th 6 th etc | First, second ,etc (fingers) | Next |
| Then | After that | Later |
| Last / end | Finally | In turn |

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Time and verb:

You can use a verb and express time simultaneously to show the active principle of the verb e.g.

When I was growing up; from the ages of 11-16 I went to a mainstream school.

Sentences practice:

I'm going to visit my sister next week

I'm going swimming tomorrow

I'm walking the dog now

I'm watching a movie now.

I used to work in London.

I did those years ago

I lived abroad

I was just about to eat breakfast

I was eating breakfast

I'd finished eating breakfast

I was just about to leave

I was walking along

I was just arriving

I got there

The plane was just about to leave

The plane was flying along

The plane started to land

The plane landed

They met there often

He went there occasionally

He kept on going there

She comes here from time to time

She comes here regularly

I always have a cup of coffee before I start to work

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Have you been here before?

If we are going to carry on with the meeting then we must continue with the agenda

If it's sunny I'll go outside, if it rains I'll work indoors

If I am late for work then I cannot leave (work) early

If you go outside with an umbrella then you will get wet!

First I got the bowl and the eggs. I broke the eggs into the bowl and then...

You take these tablets three times a day, one in the morning before breakfast, one late afternoon, and one before you go to bed

I pay my tax once a year
I send out invoices monthly

Monday to Friday morning I work at the Secondary School in North Leeds and then Friday afternoon I work at the Primary unit in South Leeds.

I have to go food shopping this morning, clean the car this afternoon, and visit my parents tonight

Last weekend, at M&S, I bought a jumper and a pair of trousers

On a Wednesday evening, I go to the Deaf Club. I arrive at about 8, then I meet my friends and we sign for hours.

Every week, a group of my friends meet in town. We usually go to a pub for a drink and chat, then we go bowling

The Deaf Club is going on a day trip to Blackpool. The bus will leave at 8.30 am so please arrive early. We will return at 9.30 pm.

Last month, I went to Bristol to watch a football match. We went by coach. On the way back the coach broke down so we had to get the train.

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I have booked my holiday for next year. We are going to France. We will drive to Dover and then we get the ferry. When we arrive at Calais we will then drive to Paris and tour around the city for the week

I usually get up at about 7.30 am. I have breakfast and walk to school. I meet my friends at about 8.30 am outside the school gates. We go to class at 8.50 am for BSL lesson.

I work at Dixons, I am a technician but sometimes I help out in the shop

I go to Topcliffe High School. I am in Year 10.

How long did you stay at Derby College?

I was there between the ages of 16 and 18.

When I was 10 years old, I went to Thirsk Primary School. Then we moved house and I changed schools.

I used to work at Churchill's estate agents. I was in charge of advertising. Then I did some training and worked in the main office.

I sometimes buy things from my sister's catalogue and pay weekly

How long have you worked as receptionist?

...for a long time; ...1 year; ...6 months; ...3 weeks; I have just started...