












Overview of Tense Notions and Aspects

In the course of the semester enter a typical example sentence for each notion. Your sentence should not only be correct but TRUE for yourself. Choose examples that say something about your own experiences in life. Then draw a “logo” for each notion. The logo should remind you of the concept and typical contexts of the notions.

Tense Form & Logos for each notion	Notion	p.	Your true sample sentence
	Present States	69	Present Simple I live in Graz. I am a student.
	General Routines	70	Usually I get up at about six. I take a shower and get dressed. I have breakfast and go to the university.
	Present Events Handlungs- abfolgen (sports reporting/ recipies...)	70	Ronaldo kicks the ball towards the Arsenal goal; Messi jumps high and heads the ball – it’s a goal!
	Arranged Events (trip schedule...)	71	Welcome on board Austrian Airlines flight 232 to Vienna. We leave at 8:30 a.m.
	Present Activity	73	Present Progressive I am drinking a tea now. I am planting some flowers in the garden.
	Present Routines (temporary)	75	I’m intending to go to America in the summer.
	Present Changes (developments)	76	My English pronunciation is improving.

	<p>Arranged Activities (making a date, arguing)</p>	<p>77</p>	<p>At the end of June I am going to watch “The Nutcracker” at the Opera house in Graz.</p>
	<p>Past Events</p>	<p>79</p>	<p>Past simple My grandfather died in 2008. I played accordion when I was young.</p>
	<p>Past States</p>	<p>80</p>	<p>I lived in a small town with my parents and my sister.</p>
	<p>Circumstances</p>	<p>81</p>	<p>Past progressive I was cooking the lunch when my boy-friend came home.</p>
	<p>Experience</p>	<p>84</p>	<p>Present Perfect I have never held a snake.</p>
	<p>Changes and Completion</p>	<p>85</p>	<p>I have finished my work. I have cut my hair. I have done my dinner.</p>
	<p>Duration of a State</p>	<p>86</p>	<p>I have been here since three days.</p>
	<p>Recent Events (news)</p>	<p>87</p>	<p>I have just seen my Professor.</p>
	<p>Duration of an Activity</p>	<p>88</p>	<p>Present perfect progressive I have been waiting for you since two o'clock.</p>

	Recent Activities	89	I have been feeding the ducks.
		91	Past perfect The next morning I noticed that my cat had eaten all the goldfish.
	Predictions and Expectations	93	The future (weak attitude) I hope that my parents will come to see me in Graz.
	Formal Announcements	95	THE DUKE and Duchess of Cambridge will visit Nottingham with the Queen.
	Deciding	92	I'm beginning to feel very tired. I think I'll go to bed.
	Intentions and Plans (going to)	97	The future (strong attitude) I am going to spent two weeks in summer with my sister.
	Interpreting Signs	98	My cousin is going to have a baby.