

# A VISUAL OVERVIEW OF VERB TENSES

	PAST	PRESENT	FUTURE
ONE TIME	<p><b>SIMPLE</b></p> <p>The baby <b>slept</b> well <u>last night</u>.</p>	<p><b>SIMPLE</b></p> <p>The baby <u>usually</u> <b>sleeps</b> well.</p>	<p>The baby is very tired and <b>will sleep</b> well again <u>tonight</u>.</p>
	<p>The baby <b>was sleeping</b> <u>when the phone rang</u>.</p>	<p><b>PROGRESSIVE</b></p> <p>Shhh! The baby <b>is sleeping</b> over there.</p>	<p>Don't phone <u>after 7:00 PM!</u> The baby <b>will be sleeping</b>.</p>
TWO TIMES	<p><b>PERFECT</b></p> <p><u>Before the phone rang</u>, the baby <b>had</b> (already) <b>slept</b> well.</p>	<p><b>PERFECT</b></p> <p><u>So far</u>, the baby <b>has slept</b> in our room.</p>	<p><u>When you get home</u>, the baby <b>will have</b> (already) <b>slept</b>.</p>
	<p><u>Before the phone rang</u>, the baby <b>had been sleeping</b> <i>for an hour</i></p>	<p><b>PERFECT PROGRESSIVE</b></p> <p><u>So far</u>, the baby <b>has been sleeping</b> <i>for an hour</i>.</p>	<p><u>By the time you get home</u>, the baby <b>will have been sleeping</b> <i>for an hour</i>.</p>