

## Basic English Grammar

## Tempi Verbali Inglese

<p><b>Present Simple</b> = <i>presente semplice</i></p> <p>Richard is a barman, and he <b>works</b> in a pub. He usually <b>works</b> from 8 pm till 1 am. <i>(Richard è un barman, e lavora in un pub. Lui di solito lavora dalle 20 fino all'una.)</i></p> <p><b>Does</b> Richard <b>work</b> in a pub?</p> <p>Richard <b>does not</b> (doesn't) <b>work</b> in a pub.</p>	<p><i>(affirmative)</i></p> <p><i>(interrogative)</i></p> <p><i>(negative)</i></p>
<p><b>Present Progressive</b> = <i>presente progressivo</i></p> <p>Richard <b>is working</b> now. <i>(Richard sta lavorando adesso.)</i></p> <p><b>Is</b> Richard <b>working</b> now?</p> <p>Richard <b>is not</b> (isn't) <b>working</b> now.</p>	<p><i>(affirmative)</i></p> <p><i>(interrogative)</i></p> <p><i>(negative)</i></p>
<p><b>Simple Past</b> = <i>imperfetto / passato remoto / passato prossimo</i></p> <p>Richard <b>worked</b> till midnight last night. <i>(Richard lavorò fino a mezzanotte la notte scorsa.)</i></p> <p><b>Did</b> Richard <b>work</b> till midnight last night?</p> <p>Richard <b>did not</b> (didn't) <b>work</b> till midnight last night.</p>	<p><i>(affirmative)</i></p> <p><i>(interrogative)</i></p> <p><i>(negative)</i></p>

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<p><b>Past Progressive</b> = <i>passato progressivo</i></p> <p>This morning when I telephoned him, Richard <b>was working</b> in his garden.  <i>(Questa mattina quando gli telefonai Richard stava lavorando nel suo giardino.)</i></p> <p><b>Was</b> Richard <b>working</b> in his garden this morning?  Richard <b>was not</b> (wasn't) <b>working</b> in his garden this morning.</p>	<p>(affirmative)</p> <p>(interrogative)</p> <p>(negative)</p>
<p><b>Present Perfect Simple</b> = <i>passato prossimo</i></p> <p>Today Richard <b>has worked</b> hard in his garden.  <i>(Oggi Richard ha lavorato duro nel suo giardino.)</i></p> <p><b>Has</b> Richard <b>worked</b> hard in his garden today?  Today Richard <b>has not</b> (hasn't) <b>worked</b> hard in his garden.</p>	<p>(affirmative)</p> <p>(interrogative)</p> <p>(negative)</p>
<p><b>Present Perfect Progressive</b> = <i>(In italiano non esiste un tempo corrispondente.)</i></p> <p>Richard <b>has been working</b> hard the whole week.  <i>(Richard "ha lavorato" duro l'intera settimana.)</i></p> <p><b>Has</b> Richard <b>been working</b> hard the whole week?  Richard <b>has not</b> (hasn't) <b>been working</b> hard the whole week.</p>	<p>(affirmative)</p> <p>(interrogative)</p> <p>(negative)</p>

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<p><b>Past Perfect Simple</b> = <i>trapassato remoto</i></p> <p>When I telephoned Richard at 8 pm, he <b>had</b> already <b>gone</b> to work.  <i>(Quando telefonai a Richard alle 8 di sera, era già andato a lavorare.)</i></p> <p><b>Had</b> Richard already <b>gone</b> to work at 8 pm?  At 8 pm, Richard <b>had not</b> (hadn't) <b>gone</b> to work yet.</p>	<p>(affirmative)</p> <p>(interrogative)</p> <p>(negative)</p>
<p><b>Past Perfect Progressive</b> <i>(In italiano non esiste un tempo corrispondente.)</i></p> <p>When Richard arrived at the pub, he was very tired, because he <b>had been working</b> the whole day.  <i>(Quando Richard arrivò al pub, era molto stanco, perché "aveva lavorato" l'intera giornata.)</i></p> <p><b>Had</b> Richard <b>been working</b> the whole day?  Richard <b>had not</b> (hadn't) <b>been working</b> the whole day.</p>	<p>(affirmative)</p> <p>(interrogative)</p> <p>(negative)</p>
<p>1. <b>Future Simple</b> = <i>futuro (con il "present simple")</i></p> <p>The train <b>leaves</b> at 7.  <i>(Il treno parte (partirà) alle 7.)</i></p> <p><b>Does</b> the train <b>leave</b> at 7?  The train <b>does not</b> (doesn't) <b>leave</b> at 7.</p>	<p>(affirmative)</p> <p>(interrogative)</p> <p>(negative)</p>

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2.	Future Simple	= futuro (con il "present progressive")	
This evening Mary <b>is going</b> to a birthday party.		(affirmative)	
<i>(Questa sera Mary andrà ad una festa di compleanno.)</i>			
<b>Is</b> Mary <b>going</b> to a birthday party this evening?		(interrogative)	
This evening Mary <b>is not</b> (isn't) <b>going</b> to a birthday party.		(negative)	
3.	Future	= futuro (con "going to")	
Next summer Mark <b>is going to spend</b> his holidays in Brazil.		(affirmative)	
<i>(La prossima estate Mark passerà le sue vacanze in Brasile.)</i>			
<b>Is</b> Mark <b>going to spend</b> his holidays in Brazil next summer?		(interrogative)	
Next summer Mark <b>is not</b> (isn't) <b>going to spend</b> his holidays in Brazil.		(negative)	
4.	Future	= futuro (con "will")	
The sky is covered with clouds, it <b>will rain</b> soon.		(affirmative)	
<i>(Il cielo è coperto di nuvole, pioverà presto.)</i>			
<b>Will</b> it <b>rain</b> soon?		(interrogative)	
It <b>will not</b> (won't) rain soon.		(negative)	

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<p><b>Future Progressive</b> = <i>futuro progressivo</i></p> <p>When the train arrives, Frank <b>will be waiting</b> for you at the station.  <i>(Quando il treno arriva, Frank <b>starà aspettandoti</b> alla stazione.)</i></p> <p><b>Will</b> Frank be waiting...?  Frank <b>will not</b> (won't) be waiting...</p>	<p>(affirmative)</p> <p>(interrogative)</p> <p>(negative)</p>
<p><b>Future Perfect</b> = <i>futuro anteriore</i></p> <p>I <b>will have finished</b> this project by Saturday.  <i>(Avrò <b>finito</b> questo progetto prima di sabato.)</i></p> <p><b>Will</b> I <b>have finished</b> this project by Saturday?  I <b>will not</b> (won't) <b>have finished</b> this project by Saturday.</p>	<p>(affirmative)</p> <p>(interrogative)</p> <p>(negative)</p>
<p><b>Present Conditional</b> = <i>condizionale presente</i></p> <p>My girlfriend <b>would like</b> to spend her next holidays in Acapulco.  <i>(Alla mia ragazza <b>piacerebbe</b> passare le sue prossime vacanze ad Acapulco.)</i></p> <p><b>Would</b> my girlfriend <b>like</b> to spend her next holidays in Acapulco?  My girlfriend <b>would not</b> (wouldn't) <b>like</b> to spend her next holidays in Acapulco.</p>	<p>(affirmative)</p> <p>(interrogative)</p> <p>(negative)</p>

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<b>Past Conditional</b>	= <i>condizionale passato</i>	
Frank <b>would have liked</b> to become a pilot. (A Frank <i>sarebbe piaciuto</i> diventare pilota.)		(affirmative)
<b>Would</b> Frank <b>have liked</b> to become a pilot?		(interrogative)
Frank <b>would not</b> (wouldn't) <b>have liked</b> to become a pilot.		(negative)
<b>Imperative</b>	= <i>imperativo</i>	
<b>Speak</b> English, please! ( <i>Parla</i> inglese, per favore!)		(affirmative)
<b>Don't speak</b> English, please!		(negative)