

Perfect Verb Tenses

The **present perfect tense** places an action or condition in a time period leading up to the present.

Example: Computers **have existed** for more than 50 years.

The **past perfect tense** places a past action or condition before another past action or condition.

Example: After office workers **had used** computers for years, they discovered their usefulness at home.

The **future perfect tense** places a future action or condition before another future action or condition.

Example: More office workers **will have used** computers at work than at their homes.

Directions: In the following sentences, underline the verb, and identify the perfect tense(s) by writing the tense in the blank.

- _____ 1. Ali had been worried about his algebra grade.
- _____ 2. How many games has our team won this year?
- _____ 3. Had Alonzo gone to visit Kenya?
- _____ 4. Austin will have completed the eighth grade in May.
- _____ 5. In June, we will have known each other for three years.
- _____ 6. Kristen has been a cheerleader for two years.
- _____ 7. However, Dominique has only cheered for one year.
- _____ 8. We have changed our decision about the trip to Asia.
- _____ 9. Kimberly and Randall will have decided by Thursday.