



**EXERCISES: 3 PAST TENSES:** Your name \_\_\_\_\_

*Check sentences that use the correct tense. On this sheet, correct those that are incorrect.*

- \_\_\_ Vinita passed all her courses this summer.
- \_\_\_ 1. I was working too hard when I became ill.
- \_\_\_ 2. They hadn't visited their mother before they left for Canada.
- \_\_\_ 3. Yu Xi has eaten some bad fruit last week.
- \_\_\_ 4. Last week, my brother was arriving at Pearson Airport.
- \_\_\_ 5. Asif is takes Mechanical Technology last semester.
- \_\_\_ 6. It was 9 am, and I was being hungry.
- \_\_\_ 7. She was not believing that he told the truth.
- \_\_\_ 8. I discovered lots of interesting things since January.
- \_\_\_ 9. He was feeling that he loved her.
- \_\_\_ 10. Had you ever saw this teacher before?

*All these sentences use the correct tense. Write SP (simple past), PP (past progressive) or PPerf (past perfect) at the start of each sentence. Circle the time words and phrases*

- \_\_\_ sample: *Hardik was working at Future Shop until Wednesday.*
- \_\_\_ 1. At that time, Maricel was living in Hong Kong.
- \_\_\_ 2. In the past, women didn't have many rights or freedoms.
- \_\_\_ 3. We hadn't enjoyed such a good meal for years.
- \_\_\_ 4. Mrs. Li always missed her husband when he went away.
- \_\_\_ 5. As a child, she often used to go to Costa Rica.

*Use the Simple Past Tense with non-action verbs. These verbs express thoughts, feelings, senses, possession, and appearance. Check correct sentences, and correct any errors in tense on this sheet.*

- \_\_\_ sample: Yang was having many friends last year.



- \_\_\_1. Said really wanted to stay in Canada.
- \_\_\_2. My high school had bored me until I met my boyfriend.
- \_\_\_3. I didn't like my mathematics teacher and decided to quit.
- \_\_\_4. David came from England, so he wasn't always being Canadian.
- \_\_\_5. You hadn't made many friends until you were meeting me.

*Use the verb supplied in the correct past tense.*

1. All of us \_\_\_\_\_ each other before the party. (know)
2. Jung Huk \_\_\_\_\_ a terrible headache yesterday. (have)
3. In Macau, there \_\_\_\_\_ any Tim Horton's cafes. (be, not)
4. Did you \_\_\_\_\_ your pen like that at high school? (spin)
5. I \_\_\_\_\_ the bus till this week. (miss, not)
6. Raciel \_\_\_\_\_ to play piano until he \_\_\_\_\_ his hand.  
(like/ break)
7. Mohamed \_\_\_\_\_ he would love and honor her always. (promise)
8. Zhengi \_\_\_\_\_ golf when he \_\_\_\_\_ his shoulder. (play, hurt)
9. She \_\_\_\_\_ until she \_\_\_\_\_ four years old. (speak not, be)
10. Last year, I \_\_\_\_\_ sports. Did you \_\_\_\_\_ games? (enjoy, play)