

Worksheet 3 - Grammar

LYRICS

"I Dreamed a Dream"
from *Les Misérables*
by Susan Boyle
(Britain's Got Talent 2009 TV Show)

I **dreamed** a dream in time gone by
When hope was high and life worth living
I dreamed that love **would** never **die**
I dreamed that God **would be** forgiving
Then I **was** young and unafraid
When dreams **were made** and used and wasted
There was no ransom to be paid
No song unsung, no wine untasted
But the tigers **come** at night
With their voices soft as thunder
As they **tear** your hopes apart
As they **turn** your dream to shame
And still I dream **he'll come** to me
That **we will live** the years together
But there are dreams that cannot be
And there are storms we cannot weather
I had a dream my life **would be**
So different from this hell **I'm living**
So different now from what it seemed
Now life **has killed** the dream
I dreamed

(Piers Morgan)

'Without a doubt, that was the biggest surprise **I have had** in three years of the show. When you **stood** there with a cheeky grin and said "I want to be like Elaine Paige", everyone **was laughing** at you. No one **is laughing** now. That was stunning, an incredible performance. Amazing! I am really from shock. What about you two? I can't believe it.'

(Amanda Holden)

'I am so thrilled because I know everybody was against you. I honestly think that **we were all being** very cynical and I think that's the biggest wakeup call ever. And I just want to say that is was a complete privilege listening to that.'

(Simon Cowell)

'I knew the minute you walked out...' 'Oh, Simon!' '...on that stage that **we were going to hear** something extraordinary and I was right. '... 'What a lot of touch'
(laughing)

'Susan, you are a little tiger, aren't you?'... 'I don't know about that'... 'You are. OK, moment of truth, here is yes or no.'

(Piers Morgan)

'The biggest "yes" I have ever **given** anybody' 'Amanda...'

(Amanda Holden)

'Yes, definitely. It **was** brilliant.' 'Amanda, you too?' 'Yes'

(Simon Cowell)

'Susan Boyle, you can go back to the village with your head hell high, it's three "yesses"

Review of Tenses

1. **Present Simple:** *But the tigers **come** at night*
2. **Present Continuous:** *So different from this hell **I'm living***
3. **Past Simple:** *I **dreamed** a dream in time gone by*
4. **Past Continuous:** *I honestly think that **we were all being** very cynical*
5. **Future – will:** *That **we will live** the years together*
6. **Future – be going to:** *Susan Boyle **is going to be** a professional singer after this show*
Present Continuous – with future meaning: *I **am watching** Britain's Got Talent next week*
7. **Present Perfect Simple:** *Now life **has killed** the dream*
8. **Present Perfect Continuous:** *I **have been listening** to may videos of Susan Boyle lately*
9. **Past Perfect Simple:** *When dreams **were made** and used and wasted*

1. Match the tenses in A to the things they describe in B.

1. Present Simple
2. Present Continuous
3. Past Simple
4. Past Continuous
5. Future – will
6. Future – be going to and Present Continuous with future meaning
7. Present Perfect Simple
8. Present Perfect Continuous
9. Past Perfect Simple

a. actions that began in the past and continue to the present or are connected to the present
b. predictions and spontaneous decisions
c. events that were in progress in the past
d. plans
e. an activity that happened before another activity or time in the past
f. events that happened in the past
g. things that are happening now
h. habits, facts, senses and emotions
i. an action that began in the past and is continuing

2. Put the verbs in brackets in the correct tense (with aid)

'Without a doubt, that was the biggest surprise I _____ (to have) (*present perfect simple*) in three years of the show. When you _____ (to stand) (*past simple*) there with a cheeky grin and said "I want to be like Elaine Paige", everyone _____ (to laugh) (*past continuous*) at you. No one _____ (to laugh) (*present continuous*) now. That _____ (to be) (*past simple*) stunning, an incredible performance. Amazing!'

3. Put the verbs in brackets in the correct tense

'I am so thrilled because I **know** (to know) everybody was against you. I honestly **think** (to think) that we **were all being** (all, to be) very cynical and I think that's the biggest wakeup call ever. And I just want to say that is was a complete privilege **listening** (to listen) to that.'

The Present Simple vs. Present Continuous - when do we use them?

Things that are always true	Regular and repeated actions (always, often, sometimes, never)	General facts about our lives	Something that is happening now	Temporary situations	To describe change, development, progress
"Water boils at 100 degrees."	"I always boil the kettle before I make the tea."	-	"The kettle isn't boiling ."	-	"Is the kettle boiling yet?"
"English is a popular language in business."	"I always speak English in my lessons."	"I like English."	"I am in my lesson, so I'm speaking English."	"I am studying English for a year at University."	"My English is improving ."
"It never snows in Germany in the summer."	"It often snows in the winter."	"I enjoy snow."	"It isn't snowing , the sun is shining ."	-	-

4. Choose the correct form for each sentence (Present Simple vs. Present Continuous)

- How much _____ to fly to Munich? (is it costing / does it cost)
 - How much does it cost to fly to Munich?
 - How much is it costing to fly to Munich?
- I _____ with my sister until my new house is ready. (am living / I live)
 - I live with my sister until my new house is ready.
 - I am living with my sister until my new house is ready.

3 Please be quiet I _____ to the radio. (I am listening / I listen)

- A) Please be quiet I listen to the radio.
- B) Please be quiet I am listening to the radio.

4 I always _____ a shirt and tie to work. (am wearing / wear)

- A) I always wear a shirt and tie to work.
- B) I always am wearing a shirt and tie to work.

5 I _____ tennis today. (don't play / am not playing)

- A) I don't play tennis today.
- B) I am not playing tennis today.

5. Rewrite the following sentences using the Past Perfect Continuous tense.

- 1. I had driven to the hospital. → _____
- 2. He had read the newspaper. → _____
- 3. I had written my letter. → _____
- 4. We had done the exercise. → _____
- 5. She had studied for her exams. → _____

6. Fill in all the gaps, with the right form of the verb in brackets (Present Perfect Continuous)

- 1. I _____ (write) this report for 5 days
- 2. Mr Brown _____ (work) in this office for 2 years
- 3. My dog _____ (not eat) properly. I must take him to the vets.
- 4. Jane _____ (lie) in the sun for too long
- 5. I _____ (try) to stop smoking since 1985

7. Type in *will* or *won't*. You have 2 minutes to complete the exercise

- 1. Go to bed and you _____ feel better tomorrow.
- 2. It's Mary's birthday next month. She _____ be 18.
- 3. They are on holiday for two weeks so they _____ be here tomorrow.
- 4. _____ they want dinner?
- 5. If the weather is ok, the plane _____ leave on time.

8. Test your tenses! Type the correct form of the verb in the blank space.

- 1. We _____ (to wait) (*present perfect continuous*) for this opportunity for more than 10 years.
- 2. I _____ (just, to hang up) (*past perfect simple*) when the door _____ (to burst) (*past simple*) open and Mr Peter himself walked into the room.

3. Why _____ (you, not consider) (*present perfect simple*) going to the police?
4. At 3pm tomorrow I _____ (to work) (*future continuous*) in the garden.
5. I _____ (to try) (*present perfect continuous*) all morning.
6. If I _____ (to know) (*past perfect simple*) that things were going to turn out the way they did, I would never have joined the company.
7. The gently _____ (to lay) (*past simple*) the lifeless body on the cold stone.
8. _____ (you, already, Mr Peters, to ring) (*present perfect simple*) to sort out that problem with the delivery?
9. _____ (you, not realise) (*present simple*) that we have accomplished something extraordinary?
10. She came in and turned off the tv. My favourite program _____ (just, to begin) (*past perfect simple*).