



**CLASS IX & X**  
**ENGLISH GRAMMAR**  
**PART II - LESSON 2**  
**MORE ABOUT TENSE**

**SOLUTIONS**

**1. Answer the following questions in full sentence each: (Page 12)**

- i. Who is your mother?  
Ans: Mrs. Mina is my mother.
- ii. Where do you live now?  
Ans: I live at Keishampat now.
- iii. When does the sun rise?  
Ans: The sun rises in the morning.
- iv. What do you take for breakfast?  
Ans: I take milk and cereal for breakfast.
- v. Where does your father work?  
Ans: My father works at the Education Department.
- vi. What books do you generally read?  
Ans: I generally read school books.
- vii. What games do you play in the morning?  
Ans: I play football in the morning.
- viii. How do you spend your evening?  
Ans: I spend my evening playing with friends and watching T.V.
- ix. What time does your school begin?  
Ans: My school begins at 9 o'clock in the morning.
- x. Where do the farmers grow paddy?  
Ans: The farmers grow paddy in the fields.



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xi. At what temperature does water turn to ice?

Ans: Water turns to ice at 0°C.

xii. When do you get up in the morning?

Ans: I get up at 5 o'clock in the morning.

xiii. Which bird do you love most?

Ans: I love peacock the most.

xiv. What is the state bird of Manipur?

Ans: Nongin is the state bird of Manipur.

xv. Where does Siroy Lily grow?

Ans: Siroy Lily grows on the Siroy Hills at Ukhrul.

**2. Fill in the blanks with appropriate forms of Simple Present and Present Continuous of the Verbs given in the brackets: (Page 13)**

i. It is raining, go in the car. (rain)

ii. He rarely wears a coat, but today he is wearing one. (wear, wear)

iii. I am learning to drive a car. (learn)

iv. My scooter is giving a lot of trouble these days. (give)

v. Father is reading a newspaper now. He can't come out. (read, come)

vi. It seldom rains here in December. (rain)

vii. Someone is knocking at the door. Open the door. (knock)

viii. The boy usually comes early. (come)

ix. I can't give you this book now, I am reading it. (read)

x. He usually finishes his work quickly. Today he seems to be a bit slow. (finish, seem)



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**3. Fill in the blanks with Present Perfect and Present Perfect Continuous: (Page 13)**

- i. The girl has got up and started (start) reading.
- ii. He has been learning (learn) English for three years only. But he has spoken (speak) English fluently.
- iii. Bina has done (do) very well in college. She hopes to keep it up.
- iv. Rajen has broken (break) my hockey stick. He has been playing (play) with it since morning.
- v. The girl has been working (work) on this problem all day. But she has not solved (not solve) it yet.
- vi. Shantibala has been reading (read) that book for more than a week. But she has not finished (not finish) it yet.
- vii. We have always lived (always live) in a village. City live is not good for us.
- viii. The candidates have been waiting (wait) for the interview since ten o'clock.
- ix. We have been watching (watch) the cricket match since morning. We have not taken (not take) lunch.
- x. The water has been boiling (boil) for half an hour. It has not dried (not dry) yet.

**4. Fill in the blanks with the Past tense form of the verbs given in the brackets: (Page 15)**

- i. I went (go) to Nepal last year.
- ii. We attended (attend) a meeting in Chandigarh some days back.
- iii. The people had enjoyed (enjoy) the film when they went to the city.
- iv. They found (find) many people in the fair of the previous evening.
- v. In the past, Manipur was (be) a peaceful state.
- vi. In the days of the Roman Empire, Julius Caesar conquered (conquer) Britain.



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- vii. During the Second World War, the Japanese attacked (attack) Pearl Harbour.
- viii. The Americans dropped (drop) the atom bomb in Hiroshima during the war.
- ix. The Manipuris fought (fight) the British in Khongjom to defend their motherland.
- x. Paona Brajabashi laid (lay) down his life for his country.

**5. Answer the following questions in full sentences:**

- i. What did you read in the morning?  
Ans: I read my lessons in the morning.
- ii. Where did they go for a walk?  
Ans: They went to the park for a walk.
- iii. When did you have breakfast?  
Ans: I had breakfast at 7a.m.
- iv. How did you spend your holidays in summer?  
Ans: I spent my holidays in summer with my relatives.
- v. Why did the people fear to stay at the place?  
Ans: The people feared to stay at the place because they thought that it was haunted.
- vi. Did you finish your work yesterday?  
Ans: No, I did not finish my work yesterday.
- vii. Did he bring an umbrella in the rain?  
Ans: Yes, he brought an umbrella in the rain.
- viii. Did they speak English when they went to Delhi?  
Ans: No, they did not speak English when they went to Delhi.
- ix. Did she pass the examination in first division?  
Ans: Yes, she passed the examination in first division.
- x. Who built the Taj Mahal?  
Ans: Shah Jahan built the Taj Mahal.
- xi. When did the first man land on the moon?  
Ans: The first man landed on the moon in the year 1969.



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- xii. Why did you go to the market?  
Ans: I went to the market to buy vegetables.

**6. Fill in the blanks with the appropriate forms of verbs given in the brackets (Simple Past or Past Continuous): (Page 16)**

- i. The tiger was roaming (roam) in the forest when it saw (see) a deer.
- ii. The man was sleeping (sleep) soundly when the bomb blast woke (wake) him up.
- iii. The people were shivering (shiver) with cold when winter came (come).
- iv. When I went (go) to the office, the officer was talking (talk) to his assistant.
- v. The thieves divided (divide) the money when the helpless people suffered (suffer).
- vi. The meeting was going (go) on when everything around crumbled (crumble).
- vii. They broke (break) houses last year and started (start) destroying the roads after that.
- viii. The whole day yesterday they were listening (listen) to film songs.
- ix. While I was staying (stay) in Bharatpur, I thought (think) of going to the Chitwan National Park.
- x. When the girls were singing (sing) last evening, everyone forgot (forget) to have dinner.

**7. Fill in the blanks in the given passage with the Simple Past and Past Continuous forms of verbs within the brackets: (Page 17)**

- i. We were watching (watch) T.V last night when we heard (hear) a noise outside. We opened (open) the door and looked (look) out. It was (be) very dark and the dog was barking (bark) furiously. We saw (see) nothing but the noise grew (grow) louder. Suddenly, we heard (hear) gunshots and wailing. All the noise stopped (stop) again. We saw (see) gruesome sight in the past and we wanted (want) to be inside the house. We were sitting (sit) on the bed when the light went (go) off.



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- ii. Yesterday, as the boy was walking (walk) down the road, he found (find) a small dog. The dog was crying (cry) in the cold morning, when he saw it. He took (take) up the small dog and warmed (warm) it up with his own clothes. When the two were walking (walk), the owner of the dog came (come) up. He thanked (thank) the boy and took (take) back the dog. A few days later, as the boy was reading (read) in his house, the small dog came (come) again running to his house.

**8. Fill in the blanks with the Simple Past or Past Perfect Tense of verbs given in the brackets: (Page 17)**

- i. When the rain stopped (stop), sunshine had come (come) to the world.
- ii. The boy had done (do) the work when his father took (take) rest.
- iii. When he went (go) to the market, everyone had closed (close) the shops.
- iv. By the end of the innings, Tendulkar had scored (score) a century.
- v. They had expected (expect) many people but only a few attended (attend) the meeting at the end.
- vi. He had taught (teach) in a private school for one year before he joined (join) the government school.
- vii. She had completed (complete) the course when she became (become) a teacher.
- viii. When I reached (reach) the post office, it was closed (close).
- ix. Last evening, the boy went (go) to the house of his friend who had already left (already leave).
- x. After reaching Delhi, we discovered (discover) that we had taken (take) a wrong route.

**9. Fill in the blanks with the appropriate forms of Simple Past, Past Perfect and Past Perfect Continuous of verbs given in the brackets: (Page 18)**

- i. I had slept (sleep) for two hours before I got (get) up.
- ii. We had been waiting (wait) for half an hour when the bus came (come).





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- iii. The employees had been demanding (demand) the extension of service. They had already submitted (already submit) a memorandum.
- iv. The dacoits wanted (want) a large ransom from the man whom they had already kidnapped (already kidnap).
- v. It had been raining (rain) heavily for a week. The tanks and drains was overflowed (be overflow) with water.
- vi. He had been drinking (drink) heavily for years. No wonder he had (have) a heart attack last year.
- vii. People had been suffering (suffer) for years. They expressed (express) their anger only last year.
- viii. They came (come) to know of it only last month. But it had been going (go) on for years.
- ix. She had been reading (read) for an hour when she decided (decide) to start writing.
- x. He had been thinking (think) of marrying a beautiful girl for years when he realized (realize) last year that he required (require) money before marriage.

**10. Select the correct form of verb from the two alternatives given within the brackets: (Page 18)**

- i. Thoibi [(a) went (b) has gone] to Bharatpur yesterday.
- ii. It [(a) is raining (b) has been raining] all night.
- iii. The bus had left before Haokip [(a) reached (b) had reached] the station.
- iv. Columbus [(a) had discovered (b) discovered] America.
- v. I wish my brother [(a) was (b) were] here.
- vi. We [(a) had gone (b) went] to Rishikesh last year.
- vii. She [(a) has seen (b) saw] the cricket match last night.

(Note: The answers have been underlined)