

Adverbs of time

Adverbs of time tell us when, how often and for how long something happens or has happened.

Examples: yesterday, tomorrow, since, always,...etc.

- Adverbs that tell us for how long : **Since, for, all day**

Examples:

1. She stayed in my house **all day**.
2. She has lived in Addis Ababa **since** 2010.
3. I have played football **for** 15 years.

Since	For
❖ It expresses the beginning of a period in the past or when something started.	❖ It is used when we mention the length of a period of time.
Examples:	Examples:
Since 2006	For 7 years
Since June	For 3 days
Since Monday	For 4 hours
Since last Friday, Since 6 o'clock,... etc	For 1 week, for 3 minutes,...etc

Examples:

1. I have known him **since** last Monday.
2. They have eaten burger **for** 3 weeks.

- ❖ Adverbs that tell us how often(Adverbs of frequency) :
Always, often, sometimes, usually, never

Examples:

1. She **often** buys oranges.
2. I **never** teach Biology.
3. Student1: **How often** do you go to mosque?

Student1: I **always** go to mosque.

4. Student1: **How often** do you drink beer?

Student2: I **never** drink beer.

Exercise

I. Fill in the blanks with **since** or **for**.

1. .She has been in prison ___four years.
2. Our teacher has been very ill_____ last month.
3. She has lived in Ethiopia_____ 1990.
4. I haven't eaten anything _____ twenty-four hours.
5. She has been watching English movies _____ four months.

II. Give complete answer for the questions given below.

1. How often do you eat pizza?

2. How often do you smoke cigarette?

3. How often do you wash your face?

4 Write 2 adverbs of time which tell us how often and make one sentence for each.

Adverbs of time

Sentences

1. _____

2. _____

5. Write 2 adverbs of time which tell us for how long and make one sentence for each.

Adverbs of time

Sentences

1. _____

2. _____

- ❖ **Adverbs** that tell us **when**: **tomorrow, yesterday, now, last Friday, next year**

Examples:

1. She kissed me **yesterday**.
2. They will come to school **tomorrow**.
3. I am jumping **now**.

Time expressions

- A. **Past**: **yesterday, last Monday, 2 weeks ago, last year**

Examples:

1. She insulted me **yesterday**.
2. I ate burger **last Friday**.

Last	Ago
❖ We use last+ time reference to mean the most recent or nearest to the present day time.	➤ We use time reference+ ago to show how far back in the past something happened.
Examples:	Examples:
Last year	2 years ago
Last Friday	Five minutes ago
Last week	Six months ago
Last month,...etc	3 weeks ago ,...etc

Examples:

1. The movie ended **five minutes ago**.
2. I arrived in Ethiopia **last January**.

- B. **Future**: **Tomorrow, next week, next year**

Examples:

1. I am going to sing a song **next week**.
2. She will listen to music **tomorrow**.

Exercise

I. Fill in the blanks with the appropriate adverbs of time from the bracket.

1. I saw a game on TV _____. (next year, last year)
2. I will finish my homework _____. (tomorrow, yesterday)
3. She is going to go to America _____. (next month, last year)
4. They learned English _____. (next month, 3 months ago)

II. Fill in the blanks with **last** or **ago**.

1. They cursed him _____ week.
2. She called him 2 minutes _____.
3. I finished my class work 7 hours _____.

III. Make one sentence with the adverbs of time given below.

Adverbs of time

- 1 now
- 2 tomorrow
- 3 5 years ago
- 4 last year
- 5 next week

Sentences

