

## Tenses Review

**Language Focus**

- Simple Present Tense
  - (i) Habit : Snowman never has hot drinks.
  - (ii) Fact : It snows in winter.
  - (iii) Order & Request : Run fast, my reinder!
- Present Continuous Tense
  - (i) On-going action : The elves are singing a Christmas carol.
  - (ii) Showing changes : Santa Claus is getting fatter and fatter.
  - (iii) Complaining : The elves are always making noise.
- Simple Past Tense
  - (i) Past event : Mrs. Claus made some cookies for the reindeer this morning.
  - (ii) Past habit : Donna usually hung a stocking on the wall on Christmas Eve when she was young.
- Simple Future Tense
  - (i) Prediction : Snowman will come tonight if it snows.
  - (ii) On-the-spot decision : I will put the gift into the stocking for you, Santa.

A. Proofread the following sentences. There is one mistake in each one. Underline it and make correction. Add “^” in the sentences with missing words.

1. A lot of children are writing letters to Santa Claus every year.
2. I meet Santa Claus in Santa Claus's Village last Christmas.
3. Hurry up! I can hear the bell ring. Santa Claus is comeing.
4. Look! The reindeer ran fast.
5. The reindeer decorating the Christmas tree at present.
6. Mrs. Claus is wraping the presents at the moment.
7. "Will I help you to feed the reindeer, Santa?" Mrs. Claus asked.
8. The elves are going to singing a Christmas carol.
9. Mrs. Claus talked the elves a story last night.
10. Remembers to bring your big red bag, Santa!

## B. Fill in the blanks with 'will or be going to + basic verb'.

- Miss Pun has booked a table. She \_\_\_\_\_ (have) dinner in the restaurant.
- Mr. Smith and Mrs. Smith are packing their luggage. They \_\_\_\_\_ (travel) to Singapore.
- \_\_\_\_\_ it \_\_\_\_\_ (be) sunny tomorrow?
- Do you know Mrs. Wong, who lives on the 18th floor? She is pregnant. She \_\_\_\_\_ (be) a mother.
- Mum has bought some milk, butter and baking powder. She \_\_\_\_\_ (make) a cake.
- 'The old woman feels so cold.'  
'Alright, I \_\_\_\_\_ (give) her a blanket.'
- Nicole \_\_\_\_\_ (join) the summer camp. She cannot come to our party next Sunday.
- Grandma \_\_\_\_\_ (be) glad if she hears the good news.
- The passengers have fastened their seat belts. The plane \_\_\_\_\_ (take) off.
- 'I have forgotten to bring my wallet.'  
'Okay, I \_\_\_\_\_ (pay) the bill for you this time.'

## C. Fill in the blanks with correct tense of the correct verbs.



- Uncle Sam \_\_\_\_\_ football every weekend when he was young.
- Miss Lai \_\_\_\_\_ some words on the blackboard at the moment.
- Mr. Lam usually \_\_\_\_\_ the news report in the evening.
- Look! The pigs \_\_\_\_\_ hungrily in the farm.
- Donald Tsang always \_\_\_\_\_ a bow-tie to work.
- Charlene didn't have a compass so I \_\_\_\_\_ mine to her this morning.
- Grandpa \_\_\_\_\_ to pop music at present.
- Karen usually \_\_\_\_\_ her car to work when her office was in Cyberport.
- Mrs. Ma seldom \_\_\_\_\_ her children because they are well-behaved.
- Hong Kong \_\_\_\_\_ a fishing village two hundred years ago.

