

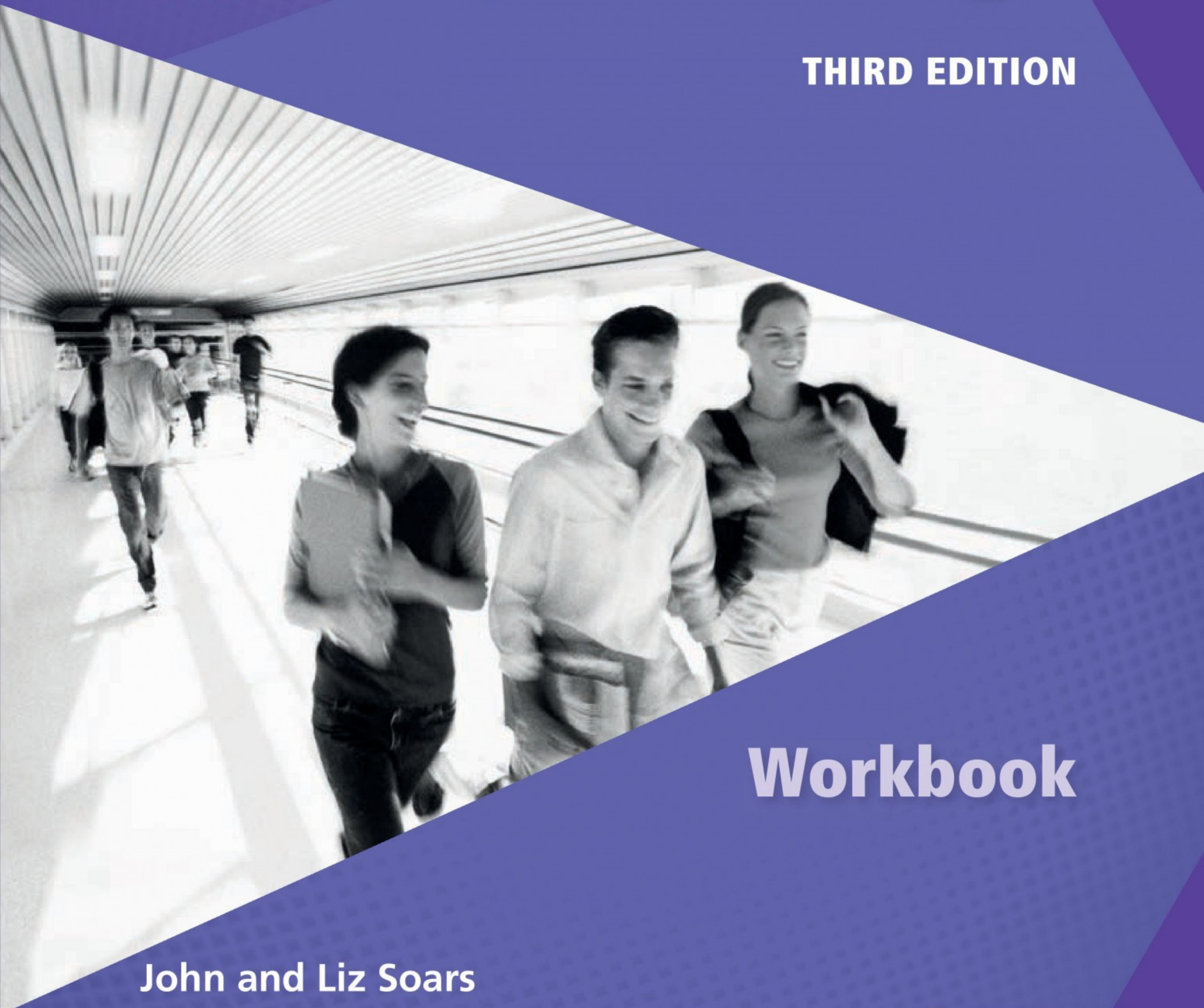
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# 1

# Home and away!

The tense system • Modal auxiliaries • Compound nouns  
• Phrasal verbs – literal and idiomatic • Sounds and spelling

## The tense system

### 1 Identifying tenses

1 Write the correct verb form, active or passive, using the verb in the box.

**walk**

- 1 A How did you get here?  
B We walked. It didn't take long.
- 2 "Hello, Mary? It's me. Listen, I \_\_\_\_\_ just \_\_\_\_\_ up your block – I'll be there in five minutes!"
- 3 I need to sit down. We \_\_\_\_\_ for hours.

**take**

- 4 It was a hard game. At halftime, one of the players \_\_\_\_\_ to the hospital.
- 5 This shirt fits me perfectly. I \_\_\_\_\_ it.
- 6 My dog looked guilty. He \_\_\_\_\_ some food from the kitchen table.

**have**

- 7 We need a new car. We \_\_\_\_\_ this one for years.
- 8 We \_\_\_\_\_ a lovely picnic until my wife was stung by a bee.
- 9 Don't call at 8:00. We \_\_\_\_\_ dinner then.

**make**

- 10 Our sandwiches \_\_\_\_\_ freshly \_\_\_\_\_ daily.
- 11 An offer \_\_\_\_\_ on our house! We're moving next month!
- 12 By the time I'm 40, I \_\_\_\_\_ enough money to retire.

**wash**

- 13 A Where are my jeans?  
B They \_\_\_\_\_ at the moment.

- 14 My favorite white T-shirt turned pink. It \_\_\_\_\_ with my daughter's red sweater.
- 15 Simon was all wet because he \_\_\_\_\_ the car.  
**sell**
- 16 My sister \_\_\_\_\_ her homemade cakes at the market on Saturdays.
- 17 If no one offers to buy the house, it \_\_\_\_\_ at an auction next month.
- 18 I wish I'd bought that antique chair I saw. I'm sure it will have been sold by now.  
**teach**
- 19 At the end of this term, I \_\_\_\_\_ for six years.
- 20 The children \_\_\_\_\_ how to make cakes when one boy dropped his bowl on the teacher's foot.

2 Complete the chart with the verb forms from exercise 1.

Active	Simple	Continuous
Present		
Past	<b>walked</b>	
Future		
Present Perfect		
Past Perfect		
Future Perfect		
Passive	Simple	Continuous
Present		
Past		
Future		
Present Perfect		
Past Perfect		
Future Perfect	<b>will have been sold</b>	

## 2 Check it

Correct the sentences.

I'm working

- 1 I ~~work~~ / hard at the moment because I have exams next week.
- 2 It's really cold lately, so I've bought a new winter coat.
- 3 San Francisco play really well right now. Their new player has real talent.
- 4 I've heard you have passing all your exams. Congratulations!
- 5 I was doing my homework when my friend was calling.
- 6 When I was a little girl, I've always spent my weekly allowance on candy.
- 7 I went out with Paulo for two years now, and we're still crazy about each other.
- 8 I can't decide what to buy my brother for his birthday. Maybe I'm going to get him a new shirt.
- 9 A one-day strike has called by French air traffic control for this Friday.
- 10 The teacher said that Megan had been working hard and was deserved to pass all her exams.

## 3 Using the correct tense

Read the Skype conversation between Nicole in Australia and her parents in New York. Put the verbs into the correct tense.

# SKYPING THE FOLKS

**N** Hello! Dad, I <sup>1</sup> \_\_\_\_\_ (look) at the top of your head at the moment! Reposition the camera so I can see your face.

**D** Sorry, I just <sup>2</sup> \_\_\_\_\_ (not understand) this technology. I <sup>3</sup> \_\_\_\_\_ only just \_\_\_\_\_ (learn) how to text! Oh my! I can't believe it. I can see you on my computer screen, Nicole! I <sup>4</sup> \_\_\_\_\_ (call) your mom. Jackie, come here quick!

**N** Dad, you're so funny. I <sup>5</sup> \_\_\_\_\_ (do) this for a long time with my friends. It's so good to see your face. I <sup>6</sup> \_\_\_\_\_ (not see) you for so long!

**D** How are the children? They look so grown up in those photos that you <sup>7</sup> \_\_\_\_\_ (email) us.

**N** They're fine. Ollie <sup>8</sup> \_\_\_\_\_ (study) for his final exams. He hopes he <sup>9</sup> \_\_\_\_\_ (accept) at the University of Melbourne in Australia next year. Becky <sup>10</sup> \_\_\_\_\_ (select) to play for her college basketball team – she's so happy. Anyway, how are you and Mom? Where is she? I want to speak to her.

**D** She <sup>11</sup> \_\_\_\_\_ (get) a little deaf. I <sup>12</sup> \_\_\_\_\_ (shout) louder. Jackie, come here! It's Nicole. Anyway, where was I? We're both fine. We <sup>13</sup> \_\_\_\_\_ (go) on vacation last month, but we just <sup>14</sup> \_\_\_\_\_ (stay) at a cheap bed and breakfast in Connecticut to



get some ocean air.

We <sup>15</sup> \_\_\_\_\_

(save) hard right

now to come and see you for Christmas. I

<sup>16</sup> \_\_\_\_\_ (not realize) how expensive flights are. Finally! Here's your mom. Jackie, what <sup>17</sup> \_\_\_\_\_ you \_\_\_\_\_ (do)?


**M** Sorry, I <sup>18</sup> \_\_\_\_\_ (not hear) you. Oh my! It's our Nicole on the computer, as clear as can be. Hi, darling! I wish I could give you a big hug.

**N** Me too, Mom. Not long now before you and Dad <sup>19</sup> \_\_\_\_\_ (be) here. At least now we can see each other.

Now you know what to do, we can Skype every weekend.

**M** Great, we <sup>20</sup> \_\_\_\_\_ (look forward to) that. Anyway, tell us how you are, darling ...



 Listen and check.

# Passives

## 4 Active or passive?

- 1 These active sentences can sound unnatural. Rewrite them using the passive.
  - 1 They built our house in the 17th century.  
\_\_\_\_\_.
  - 2 Someone's decorating my apartment right now.  
\_\_\_\_\_.
  - 3 Has someone fixed the coffee machine yet?  
\_\_\_\_\_?
  - 4 We ate in restaurants while they were building the new kitchen.  
While the new kitchen \_\_\_\_\_.
  - 5 When we went up to our hotel room, we found that someone hadn't cleaned it.  
\_\_\_\_\_.
  - 6 They won't recognize her in those dark glasses.  
She \_\_\_\_\_.
- 2 Put the verbs in parentheses into the correct tense and form, active or passive.
  - 1 The burglars \_\_\_\_\_ (catch) as they \_\_\_\_\_ (leave) the office.
  - 2 The mailbox \_\_\_\_\_ always \_\_\_\_\_ (empty) at noon.
  - 3 Her neighbors \_\_\_\_\_ (grant) permission to build a huge addition.
  - 4 We \_\_\_\_\_ (drive) down a quiet country lane when suddenly we \_\_\_\_\_ (pass) by a police car.
  - 5 When I woke up this morning, the world looked magical. It \_\_\_\_\_ (snow) all night.
  - 6 When you \_\_\_\_\_ (arrive) in New York, you \_\_\_\_\_ (pick up) by one of our drivers and taken to the conference center.

## 5 Tense review

- 1 Put the verbs into the correct tense, active or passive, positive or negative.

# Living abroad

My name is Matt Perry and I'm 14 years old. My family <sup>1</sup> \_\_\_\_\_ (move) to Japan from Denver, Colorado three years ago, and we <sup>2</sup> \_\_\_\_\_ (live) in Tokyo for the past two years. At first it was a real culture shock and I <sup>3</sup> \_\_\_\_\_ (think) I'd never fit in, but now Tokyo feels just like home, and I <sup>4</sup> \_\_\_\_\_ (miss) it when we go back to Denver next year.



### Why did we move?

My dad's an officer in the US Air Force and he <sup>5</sup> \_\_\_\_\_ (be/relocate) to work in other countries several times. In the past, Mom and I stayed in Denver, but we <sup>6</sup> \_\_\_\_\_ (not want) to be apart from my dad again, so this time we all moved. We <sup>7</sup> \_\_\_\_\_ (be) here for four years by the time we return home. That's the longest my dad <sup>8</sup> \_\_\_\_\_ (live) anywhere since he was my age.

- 2 Here are the answers to some questions about Matt. Complete the questions.
  - 1 How \_\_\_\_\_?  
For three years.
  - 2 Where \_\_\_\_\_?  
Denver, Colorado.
  - 3 Why \_\_\_\_\_?  
His father was relocated there.
  - 4 What \_\_\_\_\_?  
He joined a soccer club.
  - 5 What \_\_\_\_\_ for three years?  
Japanese.
  - 6 Why \_\_\_\_\_?  
Because the characters are confusing.
  - 7 What \_\_\_\_\_?  
American TV shows and comics.
  - 8 When \_\_\_\_\_?  
Next year.



### What's it like in Japan?

I<sup>9</sup> \_\_\_\_\_ always \_\_\_\_\_ (think) that Japanese people were quite reserved, but they're really sociable. When we first arrived, I<sup>10</sup> \_\_\_\_\_ (join) a soccer club and I<sup>11</sup> \_\_\_\_\_ (make) lots of American, English, and Japanese friends. I<sup>12</sup> \_\_\_\_\_ (learn) the language for three years now and my Japanese friends say I'm pretty good. But I<sup>13</sup> \_\_\_\_\_ (not like) writing Japanese because I always<sup>14</sup> \_\_\_\_\_ (get) confused by the characters.

### What do I miss most?

I miss American TV shows and my comics, though it<sup>15</sup> \_\_\_\_\_ (get) better all the time. Soon I<sup>16</sup> \_\_\_\_\_ (be able to) buy my favorite American comic book here. I also miss basketball, which was my favorite sport before we came to Japan. My mom<sup>17</sup> \_\_\_\_\_ (miss) her garden because we<sup>18</sup> \_\_\_\_\_ (not live) in a house, but a fourth-floor apartment. Anyway, we<sup>19</sup> \_\_\_\_\_ (be) back in Denver next year and I'm sure we<sup>20</sup> \_\_\_\_\_ all \_\_\_\_\_ (miss) so many things about Japan.

I know I'm only 14, but I've learned an awful lot about myself from living abroad. I'm going to feel very grown up compared to the other kids when I get home.

## Auxiliary verbs

### 6 *have, be, or do?*

Complete the sentences with the correct form of *have, be, or do*. Write **A** for an auxiliary verb and **F** for a full verb. Sometimes the auxiliary is negative.

- 1  **A** They had finished supper when we arrived.
- 2  **F** We didn't have pizza for supper last night.
- 3  It \_\_\_\_\_ been a lovely day. Thank you.
- 4  I always \_\_\_\_\_ a snack after work.
- 5  I \_\_\_\_\_ always had a passion for Indian food.
- 6  Maria overslept, so she \_\_\_\_\_ catch her train.
- 7  What have you \_\_\_\_\_ to your hair? You look awful!
- 8  What \_\_\_\_\_ your new boyfriend look like?
- 9  This graffiti \_\_\_\_\_ done by the British artist Banksy.
- 10  My boiler \_\_\_\_\_ being repaired at the moment.
- 11  I hate \_\_\_\_\_ the dishes. I'd like a dishwasher.
- 12  I \_\_\_\_\_ my homework very quickly last night.

## Modal Auxiliaries

### 7 Using modal auxiliaries

Circle the correct modal auxiliary.

- 1 You *ought to / will* do your homework before dinner so that you can watch TV later.
- 2 He *might / should* want to join us if we don't stay out too late.
- 3 You *will / have to* get an advanced degree if you want to teach at the university level.
- 4 If he doesn't want to wait, he *might / could* drive his own car and meet us later.
- 5 I *'ll / should* come and help you move if you can't find anyone else.
- 6 They *may / ought to* want to borrow the travel guide from the library rather than buying it.
- 7 They *can / should* still be home. I just talked to them, and they're still getting ready.
- 8 He *may / ought to* play Romeo if I am going to play Mercutio. I like the fight scene better.
- 9 If the Red Sox win tonight, it *might / will* be the first time they've won in five games!