

Special verbs

[The following verbs are called special verbs because they can be used with ‘NOT’]

**am, is, are, was, were, has, have, had, shall, should,
will, would, may, might, can, could,
do, does, did, ought to, must, dare, need.**

Auxiliary verbs

S. no	Subject	Present		Past	
		Singular	Plural	Singular	Plural
1	1 st person I (<i>singular</i>) We (<i>plural</i>)	Am, Have, Do, Shall, Will, Can, May	Are, Have, Do, Shall, Will, Can, May	Was, Had, Did, Should, Would, Could, Might	Were, Had, Did, Should, Would, Could, Might
2	2 nd person You (<i>singular & plural</i>)	Are, Have, Do, Shall, Will, Can, May	Are, Have, Do, Shall, Will, Can, May	Were, Had, Did, Should, Would, Could, Might	Were, Had, Did, Should, Would, Could, Might
3	3 rd person He, she, it (<i>singular</i>) They (<i>plural</i>)	Is, has, Does, shall, will Can, may	Are, Have, Do, Shall, Will, Can, May	Was, had, Did, should, Would, could, might	Were, Had, Did, Should, Would, Could, Might

A Bird’s eye view of tenses and voices

Model sentence

: Nandini writes a novel

Tense	Voice	Simple	Continuous	Perfect	Perfect Continuous
Present	Active	Nandini writes a novel	Nandini is writing a novel	Nandini has written a novel	Nandini has been writing a novel
	Passive	A novel is written by Nandini	A novel is being written by Nandini	A novel has been written by Nandini	[No passive voice]
Past	Active	Nandini wrote a novel	Nandini was writing a novel	Nandini had written a novel	Nandini had been writing a novel
	Passive	A novel was written by Nandini	A novel was being written by Nandini	A novel had been written by Nandini	[No passive voice]
Future	Active	Nandini will/shall write a novel	Nandini will/shall be writing a novel	Nandini will/shall have written a novel	Nandini will/shall have been writing a novel
	Passive	A novel will/shall be written by Nandini	[No passive voice]	A novel will/shall have been written by Nandini	[No passive voice]