

English Grammar Cheat Sheet

Twenty essential patterns with clear uses and practical examples.

Core grammar patterns

Pattern	Use	Example
Present simple	habits and facts	I work every weekday.
Present continuous	happening now	I am working now.
Past simple	finished past action	I worked yesterday.
Present perfect	past connected to now	I have worked here for two years.
Will	prediction or quick decision	I will call later.
Going to	a plan	I am going to apply.
Can / could	ability or polite request	Could you help me?
Should	advice	You should rest.
Must / have to	necessity	I have to leave.
Articles	a/an for one; the for specific	I saw a dog. The dog ran.
Count nouns	use many/few	How many chairs?
Noncount nouns	use much/little	How much information?
Comparatives	compare two	This route is shorter.
Superlatives	compare three or more	This is the easiest.
Frequency adverbs	show how often	I usually arrive early.
Time prepositions	at times, on days, in periods	At 3 on Monday in June.
Question order	helper before subject	Where do you live?
Negatives	not after helper	She does not drive.
Agreement	match subject and verb	He works. They work.
Conditionals	condition and result	If it rains, we will stay home.

How to practice

Cover one column, answer aloud, then write a sentence that is true for you. Review missed items tomorrow and again one week later.