

Patina · Grammar

Was · Is · Will Be

then · now · next

You know **was** and you know **is**. Today you meet **will be**, and you choose. Read the time word first: **ten years ago**, **now**, or **next year**. The time word tells you the verb.

★ then, now, next · ★★ how to build it, then when? · ★★★ three people · ★★★★★ choose the form, your hobbies, fix it

★ Then, now, next

Three cards. The same sentences then, now and next. Only the small word and the time word change.

THEN

ten years ago · in 2015 · last year

was / were

My hobby **WAS** soccer ten years ago. 🗣️

I **WAS** on a team in 2015. 🗣️

They **WERE** chess players last year. 🗣️

NOW

now · these days · today

am / is / are

My hobby **IS** soccer now. 🗣️

I **AM** on a team these days. 🗣️

They **ARE** chess players today. 🗣️

NEXT

next year · someday · soon

will be

My hobby **WILL BE** soccer next year. 🗣️

I **WILL BE** on a team someday. 🗣️

They **WILL BE** chess players soon. 🗣️

My hobby is **PAINTING**. 🗣️

A hobby is often a word with -ing: dancing, cooking, painting.

★★ How to build it

Find the time. Find the subject. Then read across.

then: **was / were** · now: **am / is / are** · next: **will be**

	THEN	NOW	NEXT
I	was	am	will be
You	were	are	will be
He/She/It	was	is	will be
We	were	are	will be
They	were	are	will be

Look at the time word first. Then look at the subject.

★★ When?

Is it then, now or next? Tap one.

1	next year	Then	Now	Next
2	ten years ago	Then	Now	Next
3	these days	Then	Now	Next
4	last year	Then	Now	Next
5	soon	Then	Now	Next
6	now	Then	Now	Next
7	in 2015	Then	Now	Next
8	today	Then	Now	Next
9	someday	Then	Now	Next

★★ Three people

Three people from the community center. Read their hobbies then, now and next.

Marisol

Ten years ago, Marisol's hobby **WAS** dancing. 🎵

Now, it **IS** knitting. 🧶

Next year, it **WILL BE** painting. 🎨

Tomasz

In 2015, Tomasz's hobby **WAS** basketball. 🏀

Now, it **IS** cooking. 🍳

Someday, it **WILL BE** hiking. 🥾

Emeka

Twenty years ago, Emeka's hobby **WAS** soccer. ⚽

Now, it **IS** chess. ♟️

Soon, it **WILL BE** gardening. 🌿

★★★ Choose the form

Read the time word first. Type was, were, am, is, are, or will be.

was

were

am

is

are

will be

1 Ten years ago, my hobby _____ soccer.

2 Now I _____ on a team.

3 Next year, they _____ busy.

4 In 2015, we _____ good at chess.

5 These days, Tomasz _____ a fan of basketball.

6 Someday, I _____ good at the guitar.

7 Last year, you _____ on the soccer team.

8 Soon, my hobby _____ gardening.

★★★ Your hobbies

Now you. Write about your hobbies. Then put one sentence in the chat.

What was your hobby ten years ago?

1 Ten years ago, my hobby was _____ .

What is your hobby now?

2 Now my hobby is _____ .

What will your hobby be next year?

3 Next year, my hobby will be _____ .

★★★ Fix the sentence

Each sentence is broken in one place. Write it correctly.

1

✗ My hobby will gardening next year.

Add be after will.

2

✗ I was on a team ago ten years.

The number comes first. Ago is last.

3

✗ Ten years ago, I am on a team.

Ten years ago is then.

4

✗ Next year, they will are busy.

After will, always be.

5

✗ Now my hobby was cooking.

Now is now.

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