

Lecture (3)  
**Present participle and future tenses**

We notice the expansion in the right using auxiliaries.

We take medicine	we have taken medicine
We took medicine	we had taken medicine
Ann drinks milk	Ann has drunk milk
Ann drank milk	Ann had drunk milk
I am here	I have been here
I was here	I had been here
He has the answer	he has had the answer
He had the answer	he had had the answer

Future tense can be expressed by other means than just by will and shall by using present simple, present continuous, if clause, about to,...

We leave for New York tomorrow  
If she says, we must leave  
Ask her if she will stay  
Ask her if she is going to stay  
He is leaving soon  
When she comes, we will leave  
He is about to go  
She is accompanying him  
What would you do if you had a flight tonight

Time in English is often expressed by other means than the tense of the verb. By form there are only two tenses in

English: present and past. Tense means the form of the first auxiliary that follows the symbol tense.