

Tenses

Match the tense to the example sentence and then to the description of when you would use it:

The present tense	1) ich hatte den Apfel gegessen	a) is used when there is a degree of uncertainty
The perfect tense	2) ich aß den Apfel	b) as with perfect tense but modals stay in the infinitive is there is another infinitive in the sentence
The perfect tense with modals	3) ich habe den Apfel nicht essen wollen	c) used to describe events in the past, more common in written German
The imperfect tense	4) ich werde den Apfel essen	d) used to describe something with is happening or usually happens
The pluperfect tense	5) ich habe den Apfel gegessen	e) used to express something that will have happened by a certain period in time
The future tense	6) ich hätte den Apfel gegessen	f) used to describe something which had happened, a past past
The conditional tense	7) ich esse einen Apfel	g) can be formed in all tenses using werden + past participle and is used when something is being done to something/somebody
The conditional perfect	8) Der Apfel wurde von dem Mann gegessen	h) used to describe events in the past, more common in spoken German
Future Perfect	9) ich möchte den Apfel essen	i) used to express what would have happened if... Formed with hätte/wäre + past participle
The passive voice	10) ich werde den Apfel gegessen haben	j) it consists of werden plus an infinitive to talk about something which will happen