

## Unit 15: USING THE VERB FORMS

Unit 14 tells you the names of the different forms and how to make them. This unit tells you when to use them.

### 1 Base form

a IN PRESENT TENSE (except for 3<sup>rd</sup> person singular)

**EXAMPLES:** We **live** near you.  
**Have** you lived here long?  
**Do** you live here?

b AFTER AUXILIARY VERB **DO** (Unit 17)

**EXAMPLES:** Did you **live** there?

c IN IMPERATIVES (Unit 18)

**EXAMPLES:** **Have** a seat!

d AFTER **TO**

**EXAMPLES:** I wanted **to go** home.

e AFTER MODAL VERBS (Unit 27)

**EXAMPLES:** You must **hurry**.

### 2 -s form

Use only in third person singular (Unit 2) of present tense.

**EXAMPLES:** He **lives** near you.  
**Has** he lived here long?  
**Does** he live near you?

### 3 Past form

Use only in past tense.

**EXAMPLES:** They **lived** near us.  
He **had** lived with them.  
**Did** you live there?

## 4 *-ing* form

a IN CONTINUOUS FORMATIONS (Units 22, 23, 24)

**EXAMPLES:** He is **living** with them.  
She has been **swimming**.

b AS A NOUN (Unit 48.2)

**EXAMPLES:** **Living** here is very nice.

## 5 *Past participle*

a IN PERFECT FORMATIONS (Unit 24)

**EXAMPLES:** He has **lived** in many places.

b IN PASSIVE FORMATIONS (Unit 43)

**EXAMPLES:** Tea is **drunk** everywhere.

**NOTICE:** The forms of **be** and their uses are in Unit 16.