



# TENSE BUSTER-User Guide

**Tense Buster** is a self-learning practice resource which covers 33 key areas of English grammar at five levels from Elementary to Advanced. The learning areas at each level include grammar rules, pronunciation, vocabulary and listening. Interactive exercises with explanatory notes are available for self-learners to learn English grammar in a systematic manner.

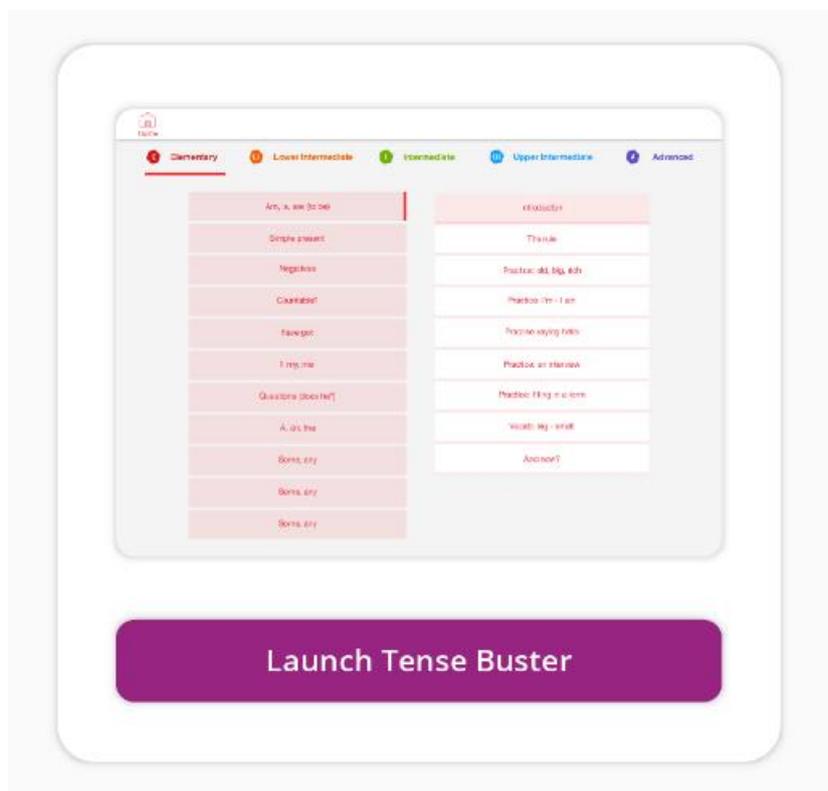
**Tense Buster** 是一項英語文法自學實習資源，分初級至高級五個學習級別，涵蓋 33 個主要的英語文法範疇。每個級別的學習內容包括文法規則、發音、字彙及聆聽，另附有答案解釋互動練習題目，方便自學者有系統地學習英語文法。

## How does it work?

### Option 1: Launch Tense Buster (Full Version)

#### Step1:

Click the “Launch Tense Buster” button to access the whole program



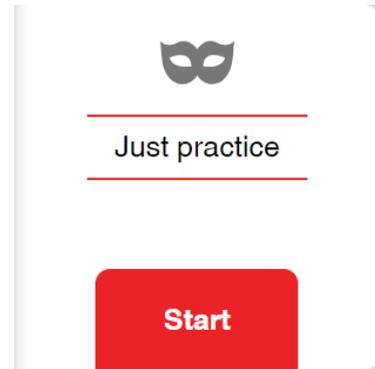
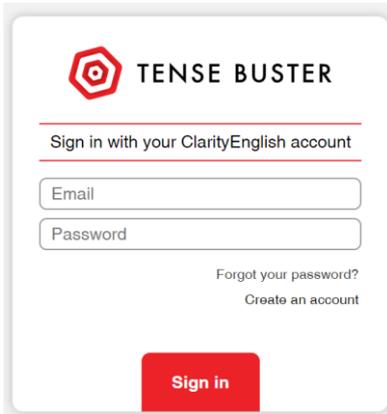
## Step 2:

Learners can choose to keep track of their learning progress **OR** to use the programme with no tracking.

**Use the ClarityEnglish account  
to track the progress**

**Use the programme with no tracking**

**OR**

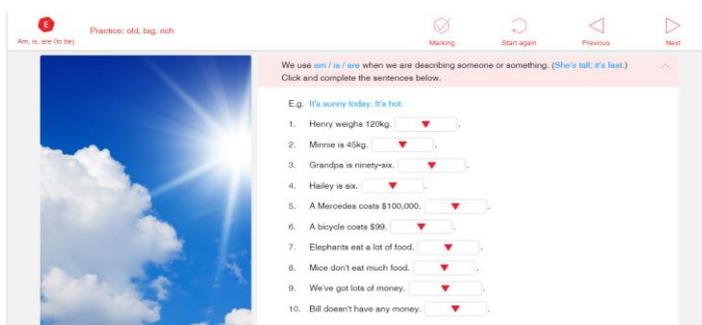
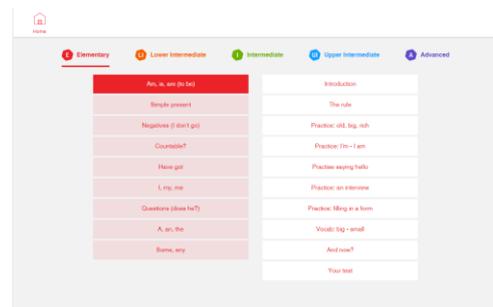
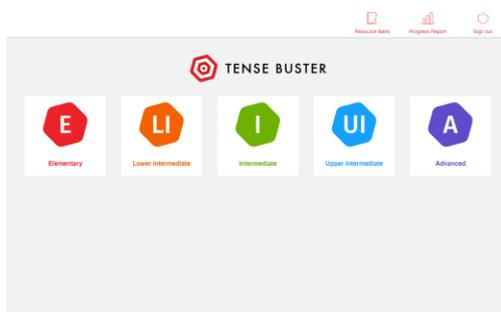


- Create an account by following the steps shown on the screen.
- Enter the email address and password and click “Sign in” direct if learners already have an account.

- Click the “Start” button on the screen.

## Step 3:

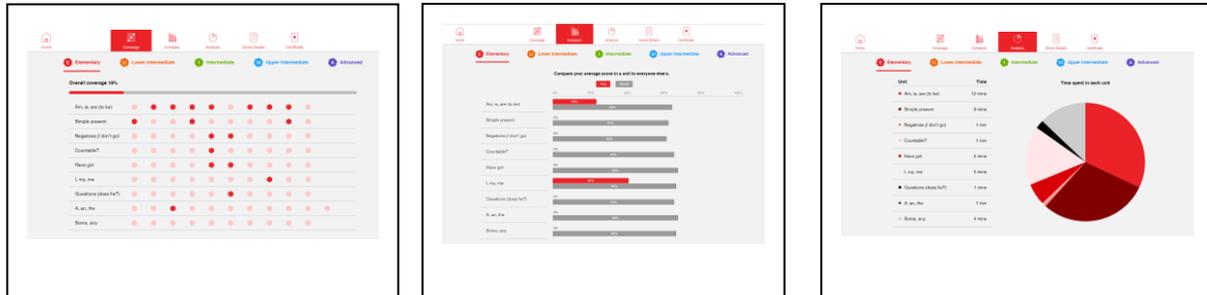
Learners can choose any level from “Elementary” to “Advanced” by clicking the relevant button on the home screen and start practising.



#### Step 4:

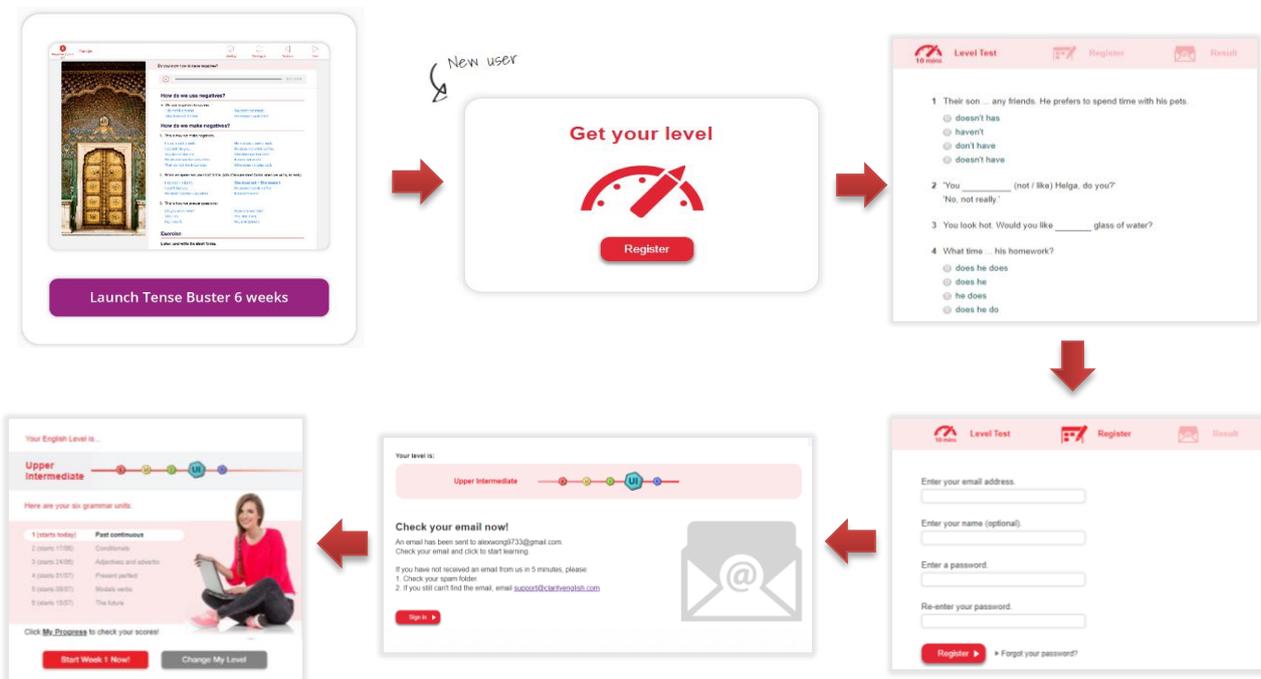
(For those learners who have signed in to the programme and provided their email addresses in Step 2)

Learners can track their progress, compare them with others, and get certificates by clicking the function button “Progress Report” on the screen.



#### Option 2: Launch Tense Buster 6 weeks (6 weeks Version)

Learners can find out their grammar levels by answering 25 questions. After inputting their email addresses, they will receive a link to a new unit at their levels via email on a weekly basis for six weeks.



## Useful Features:

**E** Elementary

**LI** Lower Intermediate

**I** Intermediate

**UI** Upper Intermediate

**A** Advanced



# TENSE BUSTER

Introduction

The rule

Practice: s or no s?

Practice: always or now?

Pronunciation: questions

Practice: questions

Do you understand?

Vocab: Which word is it?

And now?

Your test

### Introduction:

Each unit begins with a presentation based on a dialogue, newspaper article or radio broadcast.

#### A Day in the Life of a Chef

'Being a chef is only for the very crazy,' says Marco Zegna. 'It is hard work. Hard, hard work. But it is important.'

Marco  as a chef in a restaurant in Milan. His day  at 11 o'clock when he makes the bread for the evening and  the sauces.

### The rule:

Next comes a grammar rule.

#### When do we use the simple present?

The simple present tells us about:

1. Actions which happen all the time.  
Marco is a chef.  
Marco loves cooking.

### Practice:

Areas of practice include grammar, pronunciation, vocabulary and listening.

Bob: How  ? My name's Bob.  
May: Hi! I'm May. What  Bob?  
Bob: I'm an actor. And you? Where  ?  
May: Oh, I'm a lawyer.  Australian, Bob?

### Your test

Each unit concludes with a test.

1. Daniella is a ballet dancer. She  in London.
2. Jenny  a birthday party, so we're giving her money instead.
3. Mr. and Mrs. Braun  (often / go) to fitness classes. They enjoy it and they keep fit.

## ✧ Marking, Answer and Feedback

After finishing the exercise, click the “Marking” button at the top of the screen to see the score.

The screenshot shows a language practice interface with a 'Marking' button at the top. A purple arrow points from the 'Marking' button to a red checkmark icon in a box labeled 'Marking'. Below this, a red arrow points to a summary box that reads: 'You got 0% in this exercise.' The summary box also displays 'Correct 0', 'Incorrect 0', and 'Missing 10'.

Click the “Show the answers” button to see the correct answers. “Feedback” will also be provided in some activities.



Show the answers

The screenshot shows the language practice interface with the 'Show the answers' button highlighted. A red arrow points from the 'Show the answers' button to a box containing a list of questions with their correct answers. The questions are:

1. 'I've got nothing to read.'  
'I'm going to the library. I'll get you a book if you like.'
2. I can't go out, I'm afraid. I'm going to write some emails this afternoon.
3. Jack told me he's going to complain about the service we're getting from this company.
4. 'What would you like to drink, dear?'  
'I'll have orange juice, please, if that's okay.'
5. I'm not doing enough exercise. I've been talking to some friends and I'm going to join their badminton club.
6. 'What shall we do today?'  
'I know. I'll phone Marie and see if she wants to go swimming.'
7. I've been looking at the job advertisements for the last couple of weeks. I'm going to apply for a job as a programmer.
8. 'Bye, Mark! I'll see you tomorrow.  
'Yes, see you!'

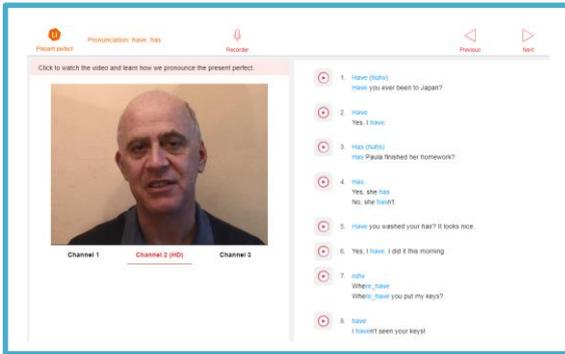


Feedback

The screenshot shows a feedback box titled 'Question 1'. The text inside reads: 'We use will to make an offer. She decides to do this as she speaks. Correct answer: 'I've got nothing to read.' 'I'm going to the library. I'll get you a book if you like.' There is a 'Close' button at the bottom.

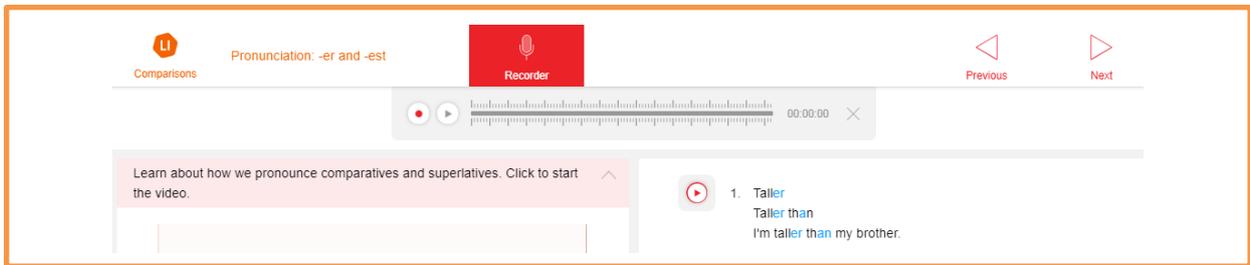
## ✧ Pronunciation

Each unit includes pronunciation practice associated with the grammar areas.



## ✧ Audio Recording

Learners can record their pronunciation and compare it with an audio in the program.



## ✧ Skill Navigation

To move to the next or previous exercise, click the “Previous” or “Next” button at the top of the screen.



Marking

Click when you have finished an exercise



Start again

Click to reload an exercise



Recorder

Click for audio recording

## Other Buttons on the Home Screen



Coverage: showing the exercises that have been completed;

Compare: comparing your scores with other learners;

Analysis: the time spent on each unit;

Scores Details: average score of the unit;

Certificate: getting the certificate



Study sheet for elementary level



Logout from the program

### ◆ Supported Browsers

Chrome, Firefox, Edge, Safari

### ◆ Available at 使用地點：

All Hong Kong public libraries (excluding mobile libraries)

所有香港公共圖書館（流動圖書館除外）

### ◆ Remote Access 經互聯網使用

Registered library readers of the Hong Kong Public Libraries via the following website:

香港公共圖書館登記讀者，可經以下網址使用此資料庫：

<http://www.hkpl.gov.hk/remotearchive>

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