

Lesson 5

Sentence Building & Mvskoke Structure

Present Tense (Action Verbs)



Let's Review



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What does it mean?

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What was the verb we covered last week?

Ometv

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"to be"


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Statements = Pose tos

Negatives = Pose toko tos

Questions = Pose towv?





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Present Tense



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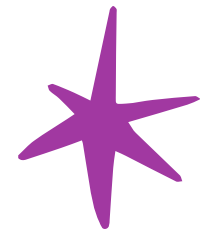


What is an action verb

Something you do. Generally something physically done or mentally done. Verbs that you generally control.

To talk
To sit
To sing
To run
To eat

Forming Present Tense with Action Verbs



Forming present tense is pretty easy! We're going to follow similar steps we've already taken in previous conjugations.

Let's learn the most basic form of conjugating present tense:

1

Take the 'etv' form of the verb (Most action verbs will end with 'etv')

Hompetv

2

Drop the etv

Homp

3

Add the L-grade to the final vowel (generally only v or e)

Homp

A Grammar of Creek (Muskogee) pg 88-89

4

Add the correct **Person Marker**

Hompi

5

Add an 's' on the end.

Hompis



What is a Person Marker?

A Person Marker shows who is doing the action.

You know how for 'ometv', it changes depending on who we are talking about?

(Ex: Pose towis = I am a cat VS Pose towetskes = You are a cat)

Each form started similar but ended different. This is the same for action verbs--and the Person Markers come from the same endings for 'ometv'!

Person Markers

1st person singular	"I / me"	"I do" "I am doing"	i	Homp is <i>I eat / I am eating</i>
2nd person singular	"You"	"You do" "You are doing"	etske / ecke / ecce / etce	Homp etskes , etc <i>You eat / You are eating</i>
3rd person singular	"He / She / It / etc"	"He / She / It / etc does" "He/She/It/etc is doing"	(e)	Homp es <i>He / She / It eats</i> <i>He / She / It is eating</i>
1st person plural	"We"	"We do" "We are doing"	ē	Homp ēs <i>We eat / We are eating</i>
2nd person plural	"Y'all"	"Y'all do" "Y'all are doing"	atske / acke	Homp atskes <i>Y'all eat / Y'all are eating</i>
3rd person plural	"They"	"They do" "They are doing"	ak(e)*	Homp akes <i>They eat / They are eating</i>



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"Y'all are listening"



"She is looking"



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Esketv
Esk
Eski
Eskis

Vsse eskis.

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Pefatketv
Pefatk
Pefatkē
Pefatkēs

Pefatkēs.

"Y'all are listening"

Mapohicetv
Mapohic
Mapohicatske
Mapohicatskes

Mapohicatskes.

"She is looking"

Hecetv
Hec
Hece
Heces

Heces.

seemuhayukets!

Word Bank

- Yvhiketv
- Opvnetv / Pvnetv
- Omiyetv
- Hayetv
- Noricetv
- Aklopetv
- Vtotketv
- Vketecetv
- *To sing*
- *To dance*
- *To swim*
- *To make*
- *To cook*
- *To bathe*
- *To work*
- *To study, pay attention to, watch over*

We are singing

She is cooking right now

They are swimming

Y'all work today

You are dancing well

Hiyowat Mvskoke
opunvkv vketecis

Aklopes

Honnv-lecvn hayecces

Yvhikakes

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Yvhikēs

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Hiyowat norices

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Omiyakes

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Mucv nettv vtotkatskes

You are dancing well

Hērēn opanetskes

**Hiyowat Mvskoke
opunvkv vketecis**

*I'm studying Mvskoke
Language right now*

Aklopes

*He/She/It is taking a
bath*

Honnv-lecvn hayecces

You make skirts

Yvhikakes

They are singing

Omiyatskes

Y'all are swimming

Make sure we got it

We're going to put "mecetv" into each form to make sure we really have it down:

I am doing it

Mec

You are doing it

Mec

He/She/It is doing it

Mec

We are doing it

Mec

Y'all are doing it

Mec

They are doing it

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Mecis

You are doing it

Mececces/Mecetskes/etc

He/She/It is doing it

Meces

We are doing it

Mecēs

Y'all are doing it

Mecatskes / Mecackes

They are doing it

Mecakes

There are 2 other ways to form present tense

01

Basic Present Conjugation

1. Take the etv form
2. Drop the etv
3. Add the Person Marker
4. Add 's'

Hompetskes

02

'Tos' Auxiliary

1. Take the etv form
2. Drop the etv
3. Add the Person Marker
4. Add a space
5. Add 'tos'

Hompetske tos

03

Ometv Conjugated Auxiliary

1. Take the etv form
2. Drop the etv
3. Add 'e'
4. Add a space
5. Add 'ometv' with the correct conjugation for subject

Hompe toncces / Hompe towetskes

Let's practice the 3 versions

Let's try using all three versions of forming present tense.

Our three versions are:

- Basic Present tense
- Tos Auxiliary
- Ometv Conjugated Auxiliary

"We are looking"

"You are cooking"

"That woman is
swimming"

"I am making a skirt"

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Hecēs

Hecē tos

Hece towēs

"You are cooking"

Noricetskes

Noricetske tos

Norice towetskes

"That woman is
swimming"

Mv hokte omiyes

Mv hokte omiye tos

Mv hokte omiye tos

"I am making a skirt"

Honnv-lecvn hayis

Honnv-lecvn hayi tos

Honnv-lecvn haye towis

Ahkopvkvets

What is Mvhayv doing?

Mvhayv will act out an action. Say what Mvhayv is doing in present tense:

Ex: "Mvhayv norices"

VPOHKV OCATSKV?

Do y'all have any questions?

