

## TOEIC IV – Verb Tenses (8 Answers)

*These are some of the most commonly used verb forms that appear on the test:*

1. **to choose**                      **has chosen**                      **chose**                      **are choosing**

Nowadays, many women are choosing not to have babies at a younger age. In the past, they often had to choose to marry and have kids right after college, and if they chose to work, they usually had to sacrifice having a family. But now, if a woman hasa chosen to work, she can also have a family at the same time.

2. **being lent**                      **to lend**                      **have always lent**                      **have lent**

Park Prints is only going to lend us 2 3-D printers this summer. They have always lent us 6 printers in the past, but this year they have lent 4 of the printers to someone else! Without being lent those 4 printers, we'll never finish the project on time!

3. **swam**                      **have swum**                      **to swim**                      **swimming**

As a kid, I often swam in our small pool back home. But now as an adult, I'm attempting to swim the 60km from Cuba to Florida. Only a few people in history have swum this long, dangerous distance. While swimming, you have to be very careful of deadly sharks and poisonous jellyfish.

4. **would have gotten**                      **had gotten**                      **to get**                      **is getting**

I think Mary is getting a promotion next week...finally! She would have gotten it 3 years ago, but the pandemic delayed everything. She wishes she had gotten it before the pandemic, because she was really hoping to get a new car with the extra money.

5. **had thought**                      **thinking**                      **was thought**                      **been thought**

Until 1492, Europeans had thought the world was flat. They were afraid to sail to the horizon, as it was thought that they'd just fall off the earth. This had been thought by everyone for a thousand years until Christopher Columbus, thinking that the world couldn't be flat, sailed past the horizon to "The Americas"!