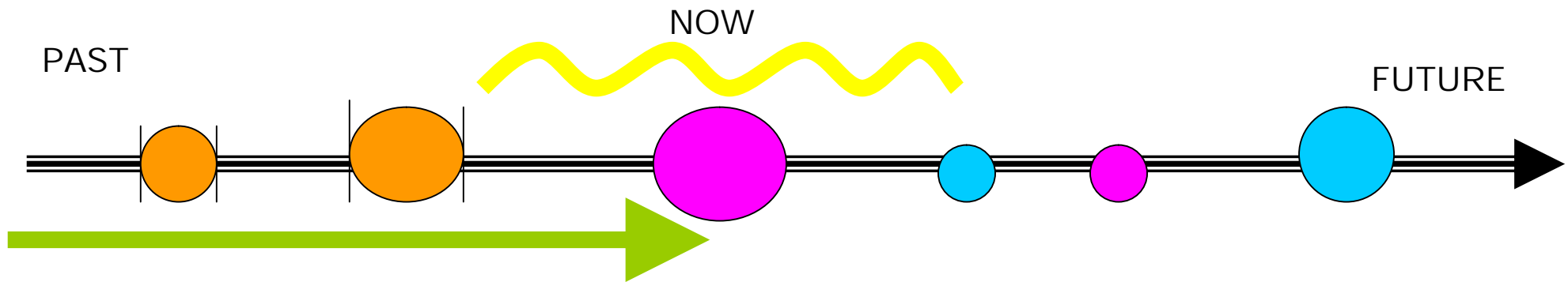


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Tense	Examples	Key words
simple present	I work for ABC. / She works for BCD. He doesn't work for EFG. Who do you work for?	always, usually, often, never, rarely, sometimes, occasionally, seldom, normally, regularly, ever?, every day, every year, twice a month, every second week, four times a week, once in a while
present progressive / present continuous	I am listening to the news. We are planning the next week.	just now, at the moment, this week, this year
simple past	They went to Dublin last week. You didn't come to the meeting. Where did you go?	yesterday, ...ago, last week, last night, last year etc., in the past, in 1998, when?
present perfect	I have just seen Kim Basinger. She hasn't finished the report yet. How long have you been working here?	since, for, just, not yet, so far, already, up to now, this week, this year, how long? how many?
going-to-future	She is going to buy a new PC next week. I am not going to do that! Are you going to write the invitations?	(plan, intention, given conditions)