

the sequence of tenses
時制の一致

「I think(V) Alex is(V') busy.」や「I thought (V) Alex was(V') busy.」など、英語では V が過去形の場合、V' は過去形か過去完了形 (had-ed) になり、これを時制の一致と言います。

V が過去形の場合、V' に付いている助動詞「will, can, may」などはそれぞれ「would, could, might」にしますが、「must, should, would」などはそのまま構いません。

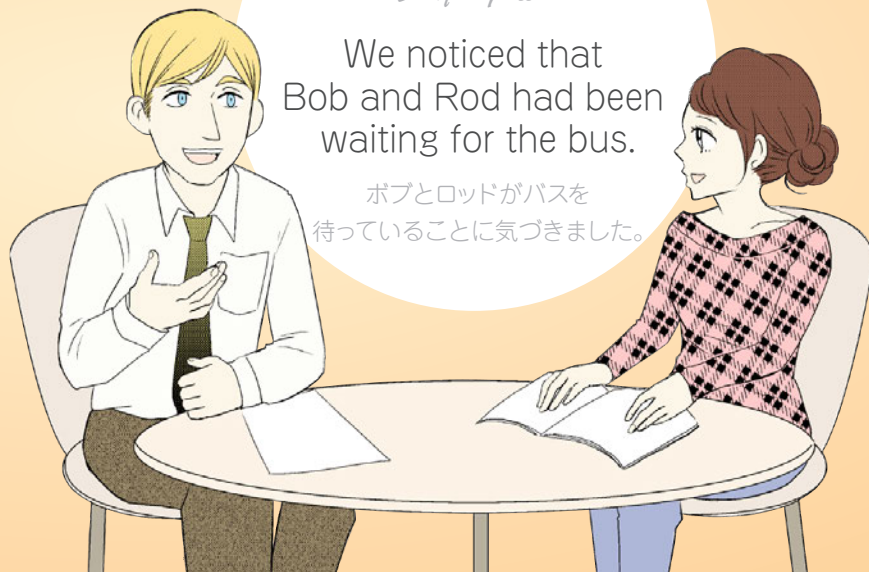
不変の真理や歴史上の事実は例外で、それぞれ、「常に現在形」、「常に過去形」で表現します。

今日の表現

Today' Expression

We noticed that Bob and Rod had been waiting for the bus.

ボブとロッドがバスを待っていることに気づきました。



Exercise 1 Repeat each sentence after your teacher.
先生に続いて、重要表現をリピートしましょう！

- 1 We noticed that Bob and Rod had been waiting for the bus.
ボブとロッドがバスを待っていることに気づきました。
- 2 I felt that Mitch was too harsh on me before.
以前、ミッチは私に手厳しすぎると感じていました。
- 3 Now I understand that she was trying to give me advice.
彼女は私にアドバイスを与えようとしていたんだと、今になってわかりました。
- 4 I hope that our friendship will not end.
私たちの友情が続いていくよう祈っています。
- 5 Miki said that she couldn't come to the meeting.
ミキは会議に来れないと言いました。

Check the grammar

I think (V) (that) Alex is (V') busy. → I thought (V) (that) Alex **was** (V') busy.

I know (V) (that) Jade **was or has been** (V') at the office.

→ I knew (V) (that) Jade **had been** (V') at the office.

He says (V) (that) he will join (V') the meeting. (will, can, may, etc. ...)

→ He said (V) (that) he **would join** (V') the meeting. (would, could, might, etc. ...)

Exercise 2 Sort the words and build sentences.

単語を並べ替えて、完成した文章を読みましょう！

1 (that Lizzy / Mark believed / was nice.).

2 (is April's / I think / bestfriend / that Aki).

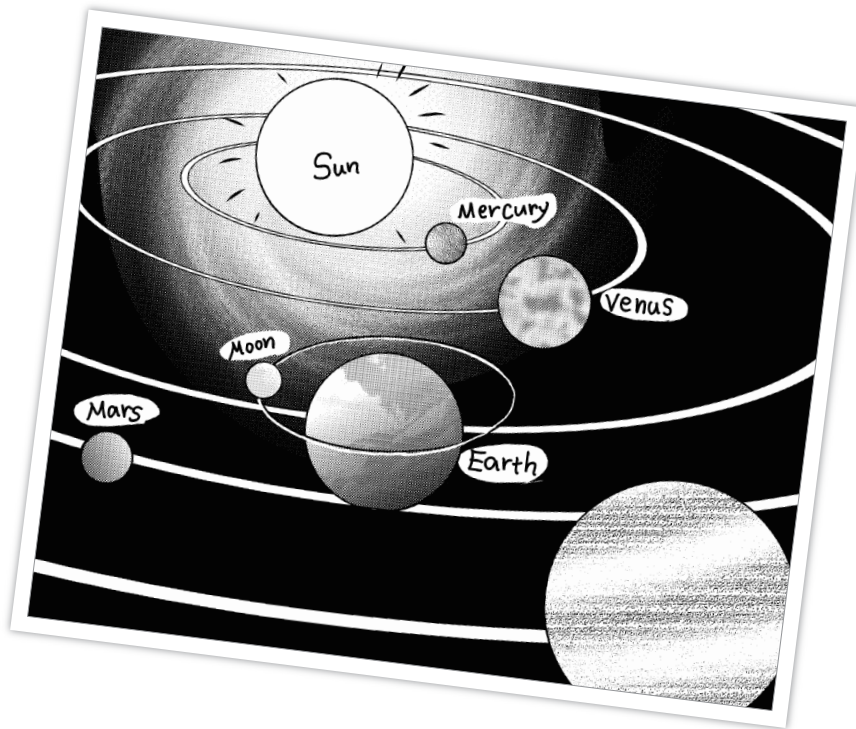
3 (knew that / to Chile / my co-workers / Maiko had gone).

Exercise 3 Answer the following questions. Try to explain your thoughts in sentences.

次の質問に答えましょう。文章であなたの考えを説明してみましょう！

1 What is the most delicious dessert you every tasted that you can't forget? Why?

2 Describe the picture and begin your sentence with "I learned that"



Additional Lesson

Could you state a famous quote you like from a famous person you know? And please explain why you like it. Begin your sentence with "Someone said that - "