A Strategy for Learning Grammar
Be 'smart about grammar'

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How can you get good at grammar?

A good grammar learner:

1. Looks for PATTERNS in language

2. Works out what these PATTERNS do

IUTS : A Strategy for Learning Grammar

Identify

Uncover/
Understand

Transfer

Strategise

IUTS is also reflected in the design and pedagogy of GrammarSmart.

Identify your most common error of grammar.

- You need to **know where you're going wrong**.

▶'Self Analysis'

Uncover/ Understand the correct information about the grammar feature.

- You need to **understand clearly how the feature works**.

- You may then understand why you make the error.

▶'Review'

Transfer your new knowledge about the grammar feature to your own writing

- You need to **practise** using the correct information.
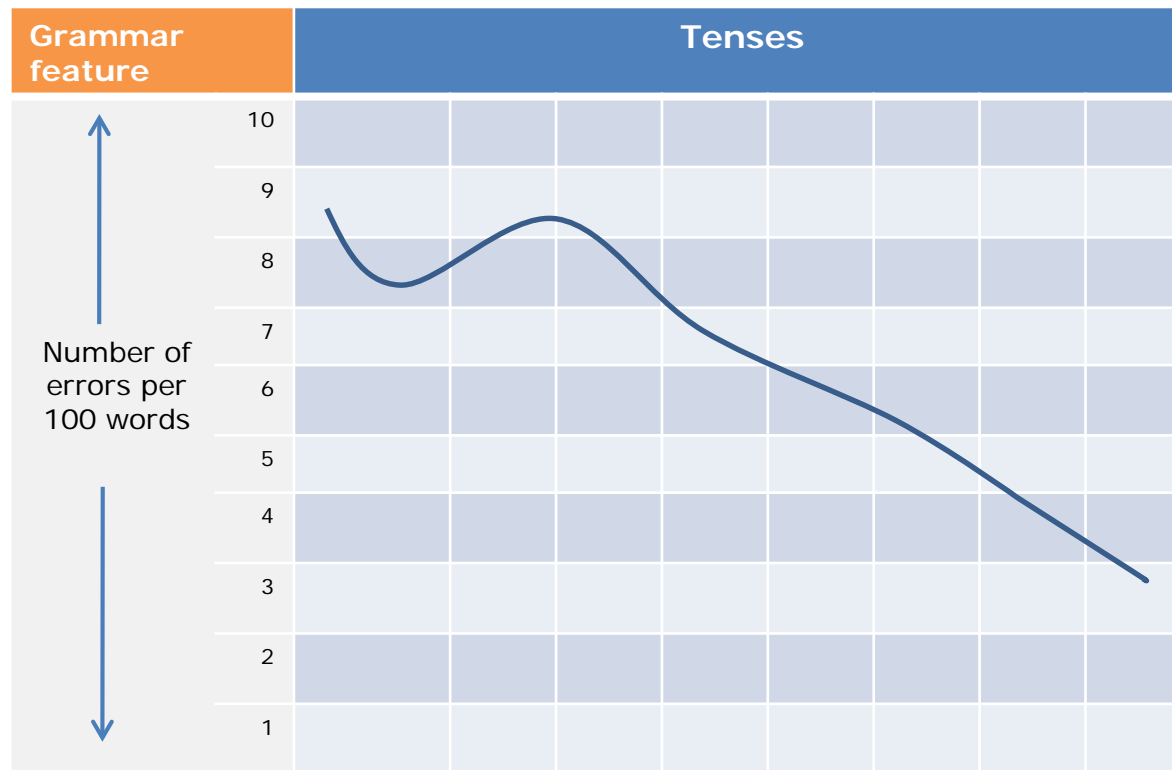
► 'Practice'

Strategise to reinforce your new knowledge

- You need to **keep** using the information in different contexts until you can use it correctly 'without thinking'.

- Track your progress in grammatical accuracy. (See a writing improvement chart in the next frame)

  ►'Challenge Tasks'

Writing Improvement Chart

Track your error rate per 100 words for each grammar feature in a chart like this. With sustained learning and noticing, you should see your error rate dropping.

Grammar feature	Tenses								

Number of errors per 100 words

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