



## **USE OF SIMPLE PAST FORMS IN SPOKEN ENGLISH IN AN EFL CONTEXT**

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### **Abstract**

The aim of this study is to determine students' use of past forms in speaking in an EFL context. To this end, 48 students' speaking exams in 2014-2015 academic year, will be transcribed and the students' use of past forms will be analyzed. Not all input will be obtained from only one exam, but rather a progressive use of past forms in English will be analyzed with data obtained from three different exams. The findings of the study will be presented under the subtopics which will include lack of use, overuse and misuse of past forms. The changes that might be observed through the process will be discussed from a progressive perspective to give a clear understanding of the points that lead to students' inappropriate use of past forms in English. Conclusions will be presented in a manner that will show the fashion students following using past forms over the time.

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