Past, Present and Future Tense

Verbs tell us whether something is happening now (PRESENT), has already happened (PAST) or is going to happen (FUTURE).

Example

A bird flew over The mountains.  
Now the bird is Flying over the sea.  
Tonight the bird will fly Over my House.

PAST PRESENT FUTURE

Task One
Rewrite these sentences so they show past, present and future tenses.

E.g.  Mark is finishing his dinner. (Present)
     Mark has finished his dinner. (Past)
     Mark will soon finish his dinner. (Future)

1. Duane is helping his friend make a plane.
2. Kirsty read a really good comic yesterday.
3. Adam is sitting outside in the garden.
5. The lion roared loudly.
6. Debbie smiled at Craig in the playground.
7. Yesterday, Sam jumped over his Dad’s fence.
8. Sue is cooking an apple crumble.

Task Two
Read this passage.
What tense is it written in?
Rewrite the passage changing the verbs so the passage is written in the future tense.

I got up at half past six and went down to have my breakfast. I played on my computer for half an hour and read my book, then I called for my friend. We ran to the shop and bought some Cola Cubes. We walked to school and
played in the yard. In the morning we had Literacy and Maths. At dinnertime I had sausage, egg and beans, followed by ice cream.

I will start you off. Remember that you may need to change a few words.
I will get up at...

**Task Three**
Read this passage.
What tense is it written in?
Rewrite the passage putting all the verbs into the past tense.

On Tuesday Rob will race home from school and have a quick sandwich. He will get changed out of his school uniform and go into town to meet his mum. They will look for a present for his sister Chloe. It will be her birthday soon. After this, they will stay in town and choose Rob a new pair of trainers. It’s going to be a busy evening!

I will start the passage. Remember that you might need to change a few words.

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