

MÓDULO 05 - TURN ON

DEFINITION

To turn on – to press a button or move a switch so that something starts working (the opposite of turn off)

- TURN On is SEPARABLE
- TURN is REGULAR

TURN – TURNED – TURNED

EXAMPLES AND EXPLANATIONS

1. Present tense

I like to *turn* my computer *on* as soon as I get home.

2. Present continuous

I'm *turning on* the pressure cooker now, so **stay out** of the kitchen.

- stay out – phrasal verb that means “remain outside of a place”

3. Past simple

Cora *turned on* the faucet and brushed her teeth.

4. Past continuous

Your mother said she was trying *to turn on* the laptop, but couldn't. Did she solve **the issue**?

- the issue – the problem
 - o Are there any issues with your hotel room? = Are there any problems with your hotel room?

5. Used to + conditionals

It used to **take a long time** *to turn on* a computer. Now, if **it takes** more than a few seconds, something is wrong with it.

- It takes (time period) – “Leva (período de tempo)”
 - o How long does it take to learn a new language?
 - o It took me 45 minutes to get to work today.

6. Future

Will you *turn on* the air conditioner for me? It's **so** hot!

- SO X TOO
 - o He was so tall. = He was very tall.
 - o He was too tall. = He was taller than I like. (I prefer shorter guys)

7. Present perfect

Have you *turned on* the heater **yet**? I'm freezing!

- We use “yet” in questions when there is an expectation that something will happen in the near future and we are waiting for it to happen.
 - o Is dinner ready yet? – A question that I'd ask if I'm waiting for dinner to be ready.
 - o Is the bus coming yet? – A question that I'd ask if I'm waiting for the bus and I expect it to be here very soon.

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- We also use “yet” in negative sentences in the same way. We have the expectation that in the future, this thing or event will happen.

- o I haven't learned how to speak Italian yet. (I will learn in the future.)

- o Sarah hasn't graduated college yet. (She not finished with her studies, but the expectation is that she will graduate in the future.)

8. Past perfect

Oh, sorry, *had* you already *turned* the heater *on* when I asked?

9. Conditionals

If you *turn on* the lights and leave the lights on all night, the electric bill will be **through the roof**!

- through the roof – an expression that means “excessive or absurd”

- o Gas prices are through the roof these days! – They are very expensive.

10. Modals (could) + future (going to)

Sally, *could* you *turn* the TV *on*? My favorite show is going **to be on** soon.

- (a TV/radio show) is on/will be on – is on air/will be on air

PRACTICE

Go through your daily routine and create a list of all the things that you turn on throughout the day.

- o I turn on my alarm before going to sleep.

- o I turn my coffee maker on in the morning.

- o I turn on the radio in my car.