

Bi - Past and Future

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By now you've got the present tense of 'bi' down:

Bi - Present Tense			
Tha	___ is... .	positive statement	independent form (one word)
Chan eil	___ is not	negative statement	dependent form (requires two words)
A bheil	Is ___... ?	positive question	dependent form (requires two words)
Nach eil	Isn't ___ ... ?	negative question	dependent form (requires two words)

Now we will add the past and future tenses to what we've learnt.

Bi - Past Tense			
Bha	___ was... .	positive statement	independent form (one word)
Cha robh	___ was not	negative statement	dependent form (requires two words)
An robh	Was ___... ?	positive question	dependent form (requires two words)
Nach robh	Wasn't ___ ... ?	negative question	dependent form (requires two words)

Bi - Future Tense			
Bithidh	___ will be	positive statement	independent form (one word)
Cha bhi	___ will not be... .	negative statement	dependent form (requires two words)
Am bi	Will ___be ... ?	positive question	dependent form (requires two words)
Nach bi	Will ___ not be... ?	negative question	dependent form (requires two words)

Sometimes **Bithidh** is spelled **Bidh**.

And a special form of the future tense used in special circumstances, such as after question words (except càite, which is always different):

bhitheas will ___ be ...? (Sometimes spelled **bhios**)

Examples

Cò tha aig an doras?	Who is at the door?
Cò bha aig an doras?	Who was at the door?
Cò a bhitheas aig an doras?	Who will be at the door? (never bithidh!)

Tha mi teth.	I am hot.
A bheil thu teth?	Are you hot?
Chan eil i teth.	She is not hot.
Bha mi teth.	I was hot.
An robh thu teth?	Were you hot?
Cha robh i teth.	She was not hot.
Bithidh mi teth.	I will be hot.
Am bi thu teth?	Will you be hot?
Cha bhi i teth.	She will not be hot.

Càite bheil Spot? / Where is Spot?
Càite robh Spot? / Where was Spot?
Càite am bi Spot? / Where will Spot be?