

كَانَ is similar to قَالَ, as the weak letter comes in the middle. Its forms follows the قَالَ pattern.

(The boxes show the 3 verb keys and the 3 noun keys)

He was : كَانَ<sup>944</sup>

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Be!	كُنْ
Be! (you all)	كُونُوا
Don't be!	لَا تَكُنْ
Don't be! (you all)	لَا تَكُونُوا
The one who becomes	كَانٍ
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To be	كَوْنٌ

فعل مضارع		فعل ماضٍ	
He is	يَكُونُ	He was	كَانَ
They are	يَكُونُونَ	They were	كَانُوا
You are	تَكُونُ	You were	كُنْتَ
I am	أَكُونُ	I was	كُنْتُ
You all are	تَكُونُونَ	You all were	كُنْتُمْ
We are	نَكُونُ	We were	كُنَّا
She is	تَكُونُ	She was	كَانَتْ

Important Note: كَانَ is also used to show the work which was being done in the past along with another verb in Madhi form. Here is the examples given for that.

Examples	فعل مضارع	+	فعل ماضٍ	
He was working	كَانَ يَعْمَلُ	+	He was	كَانَ
They were working	كَانُوا يَعْمَلُونَ		They were	كَانُوا
You were working	كُنْتَ تَعْمَلُ		You were	كُنْتَ
I was working	كُنْتُ أَعْمَلُ		I was	كُنْتُ
You all were working	كُنْتُمْ تَعْمَلُونَ		You all were	كُنْتُمْ
We were working	كُنَّا نَعْمَلُ		We were	كُنَّا
She was working	كَانَتْ تَعْمَلُ	She was	كَانَتْ	

Spoken Arabic

هَلْ كَانَ يَعْمَلُ؟	نَعَمْ، كَانَ يَعْمَلُ.
هَلْ كَانُوا يَعْمَلُونَ؟	نَعَمْ، كَانُوا يَعْمَلُونَ.
هَلْ كُنْتَ تَعْمَلُ؟	نَعَمْ، كُنْتُ أَعْمَلُ.
هَلْ كُنْتُمْ تَعْمَلُونَ؟	نَعَمْ، كُنَّا نَعْمَلُ.

After the class try to have dialogues among yourselves using:

- فعل ماضٍ: هَلْ كَانُوا يَعْمَلُونَ خَيْرًا؟ نَعَمْ، كَانُوا يَعْمَلُونَ خَيْرًا.
- فعل أمر: كُنْ صَادِقًا! سَوْفَ أَكُونُ صَادِقًا.

Just like كَانَ , you can make the complete table for ذَاقَ (he tested). You can find other verbs too on this style.