

Past Simple Tense

Let's travel back in time and learn how to talk about things that already happened!



What is Past Simple?

Past Simple is a verb tense we use to talk about actions that happened and finished in the past. Think of it like a time machine that takes us back to yesterday, last week, or even years ago!

We use Past Simple when:

- Something happened at a specific time in the past
- The action is completely finished
- We're telling a story about what happened



Time words we often use:

- Yesterday
- Last week/month/year
- Two days ago
- In 2020



How to Form Past Simple

Regular Verbs

Add **-ed** to the end of the verb

- play → **played**
- walk → **walked**
- watch → **watched**
- clean → **cleaned**

Irregular Verbs

These verbs change completely - you need to memorize them!

- go → **went**
- eat → **ate**
- see → **saw**
- make → **made**

Verb "To Be"

Special forms for "am/is/are"

- I/He/She/It → **was**
- You/We/They → **were**

Example: I was happy. They were at school.

Making Sentences in Past Simple



Positive Sentences

Subject + Past Verb



- I **played** football yesterday.
- She **went** to the park.
- We **watched** a movie last night.



Questions

Did + Subject + Base Verb?



- **Did** you **play** football?
- **Did** she **go** to the park?
- **Was** he happy? (for verb "to be")



Negative Sentences

Subject + didn't + Base Verb



- I **didn't play** football.
- She **didn't go** to the park.
- We **weren't** at home. (for verb "to be")

Practice Time! Let's Test Your Skills

Exercise 1: Fill in the Blanks

Write the Past Simple form:

1. I ___ (visit) my grandma yesterday.
2. They ___ (eat) pizza for dinner.
3. She ___ (be) very tired last night.
4. We ___ (play) games at the party.

Answers: visited, ate, was, played

Exercise 2: Make Questions

Change these sentences into questions:

1. You watched TV yesterday.
2. He went to school.
3. They were happy.

*Answers: Did you watch TV yesterday?
Did he go to school? Were they happy?*

Exercise 3: Story Time!

Write 3 sentences about what you did last weekend using Past Simple.

Example: Last weekend, I played with my friends. We went to the playground. I had so much fun!

Now it's your turn to write your story!

 **Remember:** Practice makes perfect! The more you use Past Simple, the easier it becomes. Keep practicing and you'll be a grammar champion! 