

Past Simple

Is a verb tense which is used to show that a completed action took place at a specific time in the past. The simple past is also frequently used to talk about past habits and generalizations.

examples: 1) I went to the shopping yesterday. (go)

2) The students studied for the last exam (study)

3) I buy a house → I bought a house

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Past Simple Tense

We use the past tense to talk about

1) something that happened once in the past

2) something that happened again and again in the past

3) something that was true for some time in the past

Example: I lived abroad for ten years

He enjoyed being a student

She played a lot of tennis when she was younger

I spoke with my friends the last night

In English, you can find two kinds of verbs: regular and irregular. For that reason you have to know the next rules!

with regular verbs

add - ed to the base form of most verbs

start - started finish - finished wash - washed

2 Add only - d when the base form ends in an e

live - lived care - cared die - died

3 If the verb ends in a consonant + y, change the y to i and add - ed

Dry - dried carry - carried spy - spied

4 If the verb ends in a vowel + y, do not change the y, just add - ed

pray - prayed stay - stayed destroy - destroyed

5 If the verb has one syllable and ends in a consonant + vowel + consonant (CVC), double the final consonant and add - ed

stop - stopped

6 Do not double final w or x

sew - sewed mix - mixed

Irregular verbs

example: The irregular verbs don't have rules, for that reason you have to learn

present past

participle

speak

spoke

spoken

drink

drank

drunk

hold
leave

held
left

held
left

Activity

Write the past form of the verbs in brackets

Mary lived in Paris ten years ago. (live)
She worked as a teacher there. (work)
Her flat was near the Sacre Coeur. (be)
She could see the tower Eiffel from her window. (can)
Her flatmate was Antoine. He was a painter.

He painted (paint) beautiful portraits.
Mary had (have) a small green car. She drove (drive) her car to work every day but she rode (ride) her bike on Sundays.

Mary ate crepes every day (eat). They were delicious. She sometimes drank (drink) some red wine. She not ate (not eat) sausages. Mary (not like) not liked (snails) (didn't like) did not eat (snails).

Her best friend Anette lived (live) in Versailles. Mary sometimes visited (visit) her. They played (play) tennis or went (go) on picnics. On rainy days they played (play) cards or watched (watch) a film.

Chart: regular and irregular verbs in the text

regular	irregular
live - lived	be - was / were
work - worked	can - could
like - liked	have - had
visit - visited	drive - drove
watch - watched	ride - rode
	eat - ate
	drink - drank
	go - went
vocabulary	
near - cerca de	
flatmate - compañero de piso	
wine - vino	
snails - caracoles	
Pineapple	Strawberry
Kiwi	Melon
Orange	
apple	
cherry	
blueberry	
lemon	
banana	
papaya	
watermelon	Mango lulo Aguacate
pear	
peach	
grapes	
coconut	

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Affirmative sentences

Mary travelled to USA. The last weekend
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Subject	Verb in past irregular verb or reg. verb	Complement
I		
you		
he		
she		
it		
we		
they		
you		
	Spoke	with my mother
Negative Statement		
Subject + Auxiliary in negative form + Verb in Present + complement		
I didn't / did not speak with my mother		
I travelled to France the last week I didn't travel to France the last week		
Juana ate some apples yesterday Juana did not eat some apples yesterday		
Question		
Auxiliary + Subject + Verb in present + complement + ?		
Did Subject speak with my mother ?		
You did the exercise Did you do the exercise ?		

Andrew checked out the promotions page
Andrew didn't check out the promotions page
did Andrew check out the promotions page
Aren't Firefighters cool?

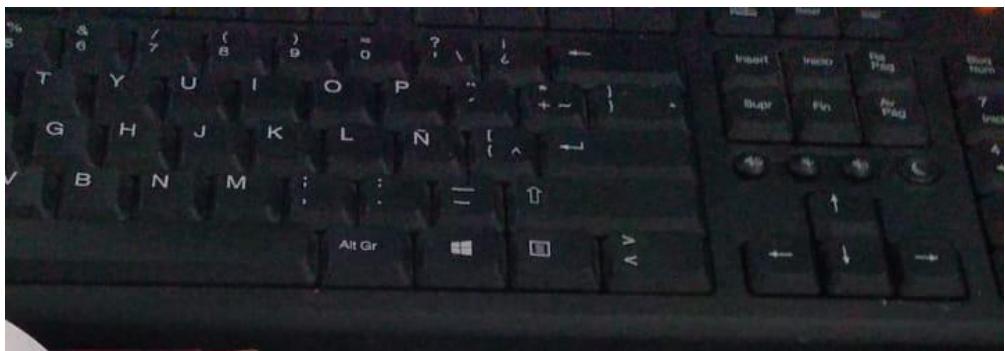
Yesterday I was playing videogames in my room when I heard people screaming. I went out and saw my neighbor's house was on fire! In less than 10 minutes the Firemen arrived and fought against the fire for one hour until they made it. Wow! They are really brave! One of them entered the house and saved the Johnson's dog that was trapped in the fire.

I made a decision: I want to be a Fireman when I grow up. I'll be strong and brave enough to fight against the fire to save people's lives and property. I can't wait! I can already see it in the newspaper: Brave Fireman rescues a family of four. Mom will be really proud.

The boy's house was on fire (F)
The boy thinks the firemen are brave (T)
He admires the FireFighters (T)
It took one hour to extinguish the fire (T)
The boy's neighbors have a pet (T)
A fireman saved the dog's life (T)
The boy wants to be a Firefighter when he grows up (T)

He wants to be as strong and brave as the Firefighters (T)

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Complete the following text using the past tense of the verbs in brackets

Anna's holiday were be great last summer. She stayed stay in a college in England. For two weeks she had have classes in the morning and is the afternoons she did do some sports like swimming or tennis.

In the evenings she often went go dancing or watched watch films with her new friends.

At weekends they drove drive to some interesting places. One they visited visit Marwell Zoo where they saw see some beautiful animals. Anna didn't like not like the food at the college but that didn't was not be a problem. She met meet a lot of people and learned learn some English. All the students in her class were be sorry to go home. They promised promise to come back next summer.

didn't was → wasn't

She didn't see my grandma. She didn't see the police catch them. The police caught them.

Celia and I was best friends. Celia and I were best friends.

He losted his job. He lost his job.

I goed to Zagreb yesterday. I went to Zagreb yesterday.

My father tryed to repair his car yesterday afternoon. My father tried to repair his car yesterday afternoon.

Sarah weren't happy last year. Sarah didn't was happy last year.

She didn't sold her house. She didn't sell her house.

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