

## PAST SIMPLE

MARTIN'S VACATION

The simple past is a verb tense that is used to talk about things that happened or existed before now.

### Time expressions:

yesterday, a week (month, year) ago, last (month, year, weekend, Monday) night, the day before yesterday, two days (months, years) ago.

### Examples:

- I **visited** a client in London yesterday.
- She **planned** the event all by herself.
- I **didn't talk** to John yesterday.
- He **didn't steal** those ideas from the company.
- You **didn't show** me the photos from the wedding.
- Ron **did not sign** the document.
- Did you **ask** Tina to go out with you?
- Did the employees **stay** late again last night?
- Did Rob **finish** his assignment yesterday?



AFFIRMATIVE	NEGATIVE	INTERROGATIVE
Subject - verb - complement	Subject- didn't - verb in infinitive-complement.	Did - subject - verb in infinitive - complement.

### What did you do on vacations?

I was in the plain visited some friends of my parents and we worked very beautiful places in the plain like rivers, restaurant.

So I went to my grandmother that we went to parties and to rest

## MARTIN'S VACATION

Martin had a terrible day yesterday. It was the day of his vacation to Spain but it was a nightmare. He left the house at 10 o'clock in the morning and caught a taxi to the airport.

Martin went to the check-in with his luggage. When the man who worked for the airline asked for his passport, Martin became very upset. Where was his passport? Martin realized he didn't have his passport with him. What a disaster!

He jumped back into the taxi and told the driver to take him home. The driver drove quickly and Martin arrived back at his house in twenty minutes.

He ran into the house and went into his bedroom. He found his passport on the bedside table and left the house again. But the taxi wasn't there! Where was the taxi!

Martin jumped up and down angrily. "I don't believe it. The taxi left!" he shouted. He ran down the street and looked for another taxi.

After a few minutes, Martin found another taxi and told the driver to take him to the airport as quickly as possible. The traffic on the roads was very bad and, unfortunately, Martin's taxi arrived at the airport late. His plane left for Spain at 11.30 and Martin missed it. He was very sad and went to speak to the airline. They promised to get him a seat on an evening flight and Martin went home on another taxi to wait.



### In your notebook

1 Answer the following questions according to previous reading in your notebook.

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|--|---|
| a. Where was Martin going on vacation?<br><i>Spain</i>   | e. How long did it take to go back in the taxi? |
| b. What time did he leave the house?<br><i>10</i>        | d. Where was the passport?<br><i>house</i>      |
| c. How did he get to the airport?<br><i>taxi</i>         | f. What did Martin discover back outside?       |
| d. When did he realize that he didn't have his passport? |   |

Why did Martin go home?  
 Why did he arrive late at the airport?  
 Complete the chart based on the text.

## MY NAME IS BOND... JAMES BOND

Sean Connery was born in Scotland in 1930. He left school at an early age and when he was 16, he joined the Navy. He had many jobs including laborer, lifeguard, model for art classes, and milkman. Sean was interested in body building and he participated in the 1953 Mr. Universe Contest, in which he came 3rd. When he was 32 years old he performed as Agent 007 in the first Bond film Dr. No. After this movie he played in most famous 007 movies: Goldfinger, From Russia with love and Never say never again.

Most people think Sean Connery was the best Bond of all, because he was rude, elegant and charming.

DATES AND FACTS	JOBS BEFORE BEING A STAR
1930 Sean Connery was born	Laborer.
1946 He joined the Navy.	Lifeguard
1953 he participate in Mr. Universe contest	model for art classes
1962 in the first Bond film Dr. No.	after this movie he played in most famous 007 movies

REGULAR VERBS	IRREGULAR VERBS
Join - joined	was
leave - left	leave - left
Plan - planned	think
Participate	come - came
Income	have - had

**3** Write the correct form of the verb in simple past.

- a. I did a great book last week. (read)
- b. did Adam leave the jacket that he found at the party? (find / leave)
- c. Why didn't you wait for me at the bar yesterday evening? (not wait)
- d. I wait for over an hour, but you never showed up! (wait / show)
- e. My friends flew to New Delhi via Mumbai a week ago. (fly)
- f. Teresa called the last train, didn't she? (catch)
- g. The sunset was beautiful last night. (be)
- h. did they meet the client's deadline yesterday? (meet)
- i. When did he graduate from med school? (graduate)
- j. Ella tried to get a hold of you, but you weren't home. (try/not be)

**4** Classify the verbs into regular and irregular ones:

Phone - speak - play - cut - put - read - dance - fly - wait - catch -  
 meet - graduate - fry - be - write - get up - pick up - teach - think - tell  
 - visit - plan - talk - walk

## REGULAR

Play - played

Phone - phoned

Dance - danced

Walk - walked

Watch - watched

Pick - picked

## IRREGULAR

cut - cut

Put - put

Read - read

Fly - flew

meet - met

Speak - speak

catch - caught

## PROGRESSIVE

The past progressive (or past continuous) is used for actions that were happening at a specific time in the past. Like the present continuous, it is formed with the auxiliary verb "to be" + verb-ing.

When using the past progressive, the auxiliary verb "to be" and the verb + ing are used. The auxiliary verb "to be" is in the past simple, but keep in mind that "to be" is an irregular verb.

	STRUCTURE	EXAMPLES
AFFIRMATIVE	Sujeto + was / were + verbo (-ing) + (complemento)	When I saw them they were sitting at a café.
NEGATIVE	Sujeto + was / were + not + verbo (-ing) + (complemento)	What did you say? I wasn't listening.