

PAST SIMPLE TENSE



When I was young I went to China.

AFFIRMATIVE	NEGATIVE	YES/NO QUESTION
subject + regular/irregular verb in past + complement	subject + didn't / did not + verb in inf. + complement	Did + subject + verb in infinitive + complement + ?
I run in the race	I didn't run in the race	Did I run the race?
you sang in the concert	you didn't sing in the concert	Did you sing in the concert?
he played in the park	he didn't play in the park	Did he play in the park?
she cooked some spaghetti	she didn't cook some spaghetti	Did she cook some spaghetti?
it helped at school	it didn't help at school	Did it help at school?
we wrote some letters	we didn't write some letters	Did we write some letters?
you read 3 books	you didn't read 3 books	Did you read 3 books?
they bought a car	they didn't buy a car	Did they buy a car?

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Remember

You use simple past :

- ✓ To express completed action in the past.
- ✓ To describe a series of completed actions in the past
- ✓ To express habits in the past.

Examples

I saw a ghost last Friday

I finished work, walked to the beach, and found a nice place to swim.

When I was young, I watched lots of television every day after school.

He had a small cottage in the woods.



D Look at Sam and Iris schedule and tick the correct answers:

WEEKEND SCHEDULE			
SATURDAY	AM	Watch a tv	go to the gym
	PM	go to a party	read a book
SUNDAY	AM	do the laundry	play soccer
	PM	study for exam	stay at home
		SAM	IRIS

1. Did Iris go to the gym on Sunday?

 - a. Yes, She went to the gym on Sunday
 - b. No, he didn't. She went on Saturday
 - c. No, she didn't. She went to the movies.
2. Did Sam watch TV on Sunday?

 - a. No, he didn't. He studied on Saturday.
 - b. Yes, he watched TV on Saturday.
 - c. Yes, she went to the library on Saturday.
3. When did Iris play soccer?

 - a. She played soccer on Sunday morning.
 - b. She didn't play soccer on Saturday night.
 - c. She played soccer on Saturday night.

2 Read the following text and answer the questions:

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Yesterday Debbie had a job interview. She went downtown to the company. The interview was for an accounting job. Debbie graduated university 3 months ago.

Her interview was at 10:00 am. She woke up at 7:00 am and left her house before 8:00 am. She waited for the bus, but it was late. She was very worried because she did not want to be late for the interview. She tried to phone the company to warn them, but her phone battery was dead. When the bus arrived, it was almost 9:00 am. Then the bus was slow because there were many other cars. The bus finally arrived at Debbie's stop at 9:45 am.

Debbie ran from the bus stop to the office building. When she entered she saw a sign that said the company was on the 24th floor. The elevator ride took almost 5 minutes because many people stopped at different floors.

When Debbie arrived at reception, it was 9:58. She was in time!

"I am here to see Mrs. Lewis" said Debbie.

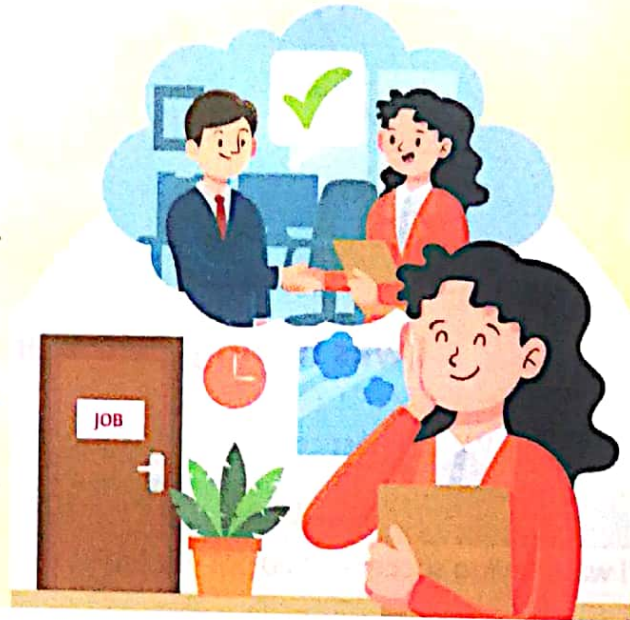
The receptionist checked her book and replied:

"She is not here today. What is your name please?"

"My name is Debbie Gregson."

"Sorry Debbie, but your appointment is tomorrow."

Debbie checked her agenda. It was true. She was there on the wrong day!



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a. What time did Debbie wake up?

She ~~wakes~~ woke up at 7:00 am

b. When did the bus arrive at the stop?

The buss arrived at 9:45 am

c. Was Debbie late? (Yes/No)

No, she wasn't late

d. Did Debbie go on the correct day? (Yes/No)

No, she didn't go on the correct day

PAST CONTINUOUS



I was having a shower when the telephone rang.

We use past continuous to describe what a person was doing in a specific time

SINGULAR	PLURAL
I was playing soccer at 2:00 pm yesterday.	We were cooking after 3:00pm.
She wasn't drawing yesterday. She was at the hospital.	Andrew and Martin weren't watching TV. They were in the cinema.
Was Susanita having lunch at 3:00pm on Tuesday? Yes, she was.	Were you studying Math at Julio's house? No, I wasn't. I was at Mateo's house.



D Are you able to answer the following questions. Let's try.

1. What were you doing ten minutes ago?

I was studying english

b. What were you doing half an hour ago?

I was having a breakfast

c. What were you doing five hours ago?

I was sleeping

d. What were you doing at seven o'clock this morning?

I was propped up my desk

e. What were you thinking about few minutes ago?

I was thinking about today classes

f. Were you watching TV last night?

No, I wasn't

g. Was it raining a few hours ago? Was it snowing?

No, today didn't rain

h. What was our teacher saying a few minutes ago?

He was giving the instructions about the activities

i. Were we studying English an hour ago?

No, we weren't studying English an hour ago

j. What were you doing at midnight last night?

at the midnight I was sleeping

k. What were you doing at noon yesterday?

at the noon I was playing in a park

l. Who were you talking to a few minutes ago?

At few minutes I was talking with my brother

m. What were you doing at seven o'clock last night?

I was shopping something with my family

MODALS VERBS

All the auxiliary verbs except be, do and have are called modals. Unlike other auxiliary verbs modals only exist in their helping form; they cannot act alone as the main verb in a sentence.



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	USES	EXAMPLE
CAN	General ability. Request.	They <u>can</u> control their own budgets . We <u>can't</u> fix it. <u>Can</u> I smoke here?
COULD	General ability in the past. Request.	<u>Could</u> I borrow your dictionary? <u>Could</u> you say it again more slowly? We <u>could</u> try to fix it ourselves . I think we <u>could</u> have another Gulf War. He gave up his old job so he <u>could</u> work for us.
MAY	Asking for permission Possibility.	<u>May</u> I have another cup of coffee? China <u>may</u> become a major economic power.
SHOULD	To give advice, a recommendation or a suggestion.	You really <u>should</u> go to the new restaurant on Main Street. I think you <u>should</u> study for the test so that you don't fail.

	USES	EXAMPLE
WOULD	Used as a polite invitation or to offer. Describe a prediction (hypothetical situations). To not sound impolite when disagreeing with someone.	Would you like to go to the movies with me tonight? It would be nice to have a barbecue. I wouldn't agree with that.
HAVE TO	Shows us that the obligation comes from somebody else. It's a law or a rule and the speaker can't change it.	We have to complete this activity by Friday. In Britain you have to buy a TV license every year.
MUST	Shows us that the obligation comes from the speaker. It isn't a law or a rule.	I must memorize all of these rules about modal verbs. I must call my dad tonight.



1 Choose the right Modals verb.

1. Where should/may they meet you?
2. You shouldn't/couldn't work so hard
3. You may/have to leave if you like.
4. I can/ would speak five languages.
5. You must not/have to drink and drive.
6. When would/could you like to go to the movies?

2 Choose the right modals verb in bracket, and then answer the questions.

MY BEST FRIENDS LIFE

I have many friends. But only two best friends. They are fond of dancing. They can (can/must) dance very well. They always make a scene.

I will shortly tell you about one of them. She could (could/would) dance so well when she was little. She is 15 years old. She has danced for 10 years, but now she can't (can't/ shouldn't) do it. Because is not allowed to dance, because she has a problem with her legs. For the first time she danced. But then her legs **started achin**.

Then she asked for advice to her mother. Mother sent her to doctor. And request her to really go. When she came to doctor she showed him her legs. The doctor **prescribed** her tablets . The Alesja asked him for permission to dance. Because she really needed to dance. The doctor said to her that that now she can't (can't/wouldn't) dance but in the future she might dance.

Now she is okey and she can dance. The doctor gave her permission for that. We are very happy that this situation ended well.

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1. Could she dance in this moment? Yes she can
2. Has she danced for twelve years? No, she hasn't
3. How many friends does she have got?
4. What can her best friends do? they dance
5. Could she dance in the future? yes, she could