

19 Past Simple tense: positive: irregular verbs

We **saw** a good film last night.
I **bought** all my Christmas presents at the weekend.
They **had** a good time at the party.



FORM

I, You, She, He, It, We, They saw ...

- The verb is the same for all persons: *I, you, she, he, it, we* and *they*.
- There are a lot of irregular verbs.

Practice

19 Complete the tables below.

➤ See the list of irregular verbs in Appendix 1.

<i>Infinitive</i>	<i>Past simple</i>	<i>Infinitive</i>	<i>Past simple</i>	<i>Infinitive</i>	<i>Past simple</i>
bring	brought	give		run	
buy	bought		went		saw
come		have			shut
do		know		swim	
	drank		left	take	
	drove		lost		taught
find		make		tell	
	flew	meet			thought
forget			put	understand	
get (up)			read	write	

20 Past simple tense: positive

Check

20a Write these sentences in the past simple.

- 1 I see my parents every weekend. (last weekend)

I saw my parents last weekend.

- 2 Matthew always asks a lot of questions. (this morning)

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- 3 They go to the mountains in the winter. (last winter)

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- 4 Julie meets Tom from school every afternoon. (this afternoon)

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- 5 Jenny watches a lot of television at the weekends. (on holiday)

Jenny

- 6 He eats a lot in the evenings. (last night)

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- 7 The programme starts at 7.30 every Friday. (this morning)

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- 8 I love cycling at the weekends. (when I was a child)

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- 9 We always have a nice time with them. (on holiday)

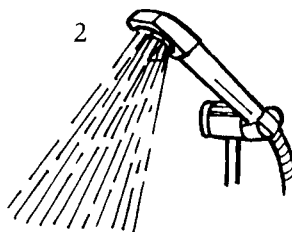
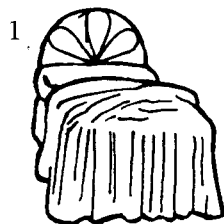
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- 10 The garden looks lovely in the spring. (last spring)

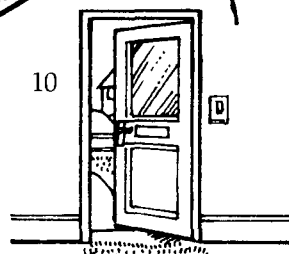
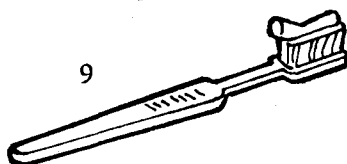
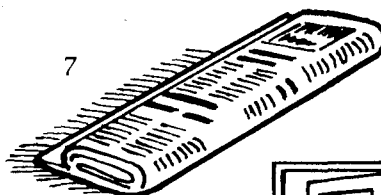
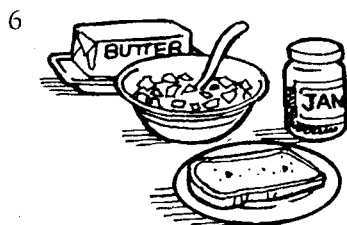
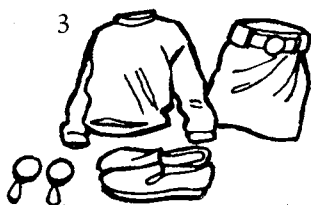
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20b Complete the sentences about Kelly's morning using a verb in the past simple. Use the verbs in the box.

read	get dressed	leave	have a shower	turn on
brush	get up	make a cup of tea	eat	wash



- 1 Kelly got up...
- 2 She had a shower...
- 3 She
- 4 She
- 5 She
- 6 She
- 7 She
- 8 She
- 9 She
- 10 She



21 Past Simple tense: questions and negatives

FORM

Question

Did	Subject	Infinitive
Did	I you she he it we they	walk? go? come?

- **Did** + subject + infinitive for all persons and all verbs, regular and irregular.
Did you go ... ? Did you walk ... ?
 NOT ~~Did you went ... ? Did you walked ... ?~~

Negative

Subject	did not	Infinitive
I You She He It We They	did not (didn't)	walk. go. come.

- Subject + **did not** + infinitive for all persons and all verbs, regular and irregular.
He did not go ...
 NOT ~~He did not went ...~~

Practice

- 21** In your notebook, put these sentences into the past simple. Write them in the positive form, the question form and the negative form.

- 1 She gets up early in the morning.
She got up early in the morning.
Did she get up early in the morning?
She didn't get up early in the morning.
- 2 He teaches history at the university.
He taught history at the university.
Did he teach history at the university?
He didn't teach history at the university.

- 3 They leave home at 8 o'clock.
- 4 He stays in very good hotels.
- 5 You smoke a lot.
- 6 I look very tired.
- 7 We stop at Oxford.
- 8 The restaurant closes at 11 o'clock.
- 9 Pam buys a lot of clothes.
- 10 The birds fly away to other countries.

22 Past Simple tense: times in the past

Last night / week / month / year
 Three minutes / hours / days / nights / weeks / months / years ago

Practice

22 Answer the questions using *last* or *ago* and the words in brackets.

- 1 When did you speak to Peter? (week)
Last week.
- 2 When did they buy that car? (two years)

- 3 When did we clean the windows? (six months)

- 4 When did the film start? (five minutes)

- 5 When did you see your cousin? (three years)

- 6 When did she stop smoking? (month)

- 7 When did it stop raining? (two hours)

- 8 When did they go to Australia? (year)

- 9 When did Max phone? (night)

- 10 When did you find your wallet? (half an hour)
