

Past Simple 2

In English the past simple (or simple past) is used to talk about actions that were completed in the past. There are some spelling rules. If a verb ends in -e, you just add -d.

Examples: like → liked agree → agreed love → loved

If a verb ends in a vowel and a consonant, the consonant is usually doubled before -ed.

Examples: stop → stop**ped** plan → plan**ned** wag → wag**ged**

If a verb ends in a consonant and -y, take off the y and add -ied.

Examples: try → tr**ied** fry → fr**ied** carry → carr**ied**

Choose the best word to complete each blank.

- 1) We _____ (decide) to go to a restaurant last night instead of cook at home.
- 2) Last weekend, Louis _____ (plan) to visit the museum, but he ran out of time.
- 3) John _____ (arrive) a few minutes late to work this morning.
- 4) I _____ (try) to listen to the professor carefully, but I was so tired.
- 5) I was so tired that I went home and _____ (nap) for three hours.

Write the correct form of each verb in each box.

- 6) Billy forgot his lunch today, so Mary _____ (share) hers.
- 7) After dinner last night, Zak washed the dishes and I _____ (dry) them.
- 8) Alice _____ (pop) some popcorn while Lily poured some drinks to have while the watched the movie.
- 9) The movie was so beautiful, they both _____ (cry).
- 10) Joe moves every year for his job. Last year he _____ (move) to Dubai.