



# SIMPLE PAST TENSE

**TASK A.** Make the past simple of the following verbs: positive, negative or question.

1. I \_\_\_\_\_ (work) in a bank for ten years.
2. Where \_\_\_\_\_ (you / live) when you were young?
3. She \_\_\_\_\_ (not / study) French at university.
4. He \_\_\_\_\_ (travel) through the Middle East last year.
5. \_\_\_\_\_ (they / visit) the Louvre in Paris?
6. She \_\_\_\_\_ (not / watch) TV yesterday.
7. We \_\_\_\_\_ (buy) a new car last weekend.
8. Where \_\_\_\_\_ (you / teach) before you came here?
9. He \_\_\_\_\_ (not / think) that he was right.
10. I \_\_\_\_\_ (cook) steak last night.
11. \_\_\_\_\_ (Lucy / read) 'War and Peace' at school?
12. She \_\_\_\_\_ (not / write) to her grandmother.
13. We \_\_\_\_\_ (have) a computer when I was a child.
14. Where \_\_\_\_\_ (you / go) on holiday?
15. I \_\_\_\_\_ (love) ice cream when I was a child.
16. They \_\_\_\_\_ (not / meet) yesterday.
17. \_\_\_\_\_ (she / swim) in the sea in Greece?
18. We \_\_\_\_\_ (not / play) tennis yesterday because it was raining.
19. He \_\_\_\_\_ (try) to lift the box but he couldn't.
20. What \_\_\_\_\_ (you / eat) for lunch?
21. I \_\_\_\_\_ (not / drink) any beer last night.
22. She \_\_\_\_\_ (get on) the bus in the centre of the city.
23. What time \_\_\_\_\_ (he / get up) yesterday?
24. Where \_\_\_\_\_ (you / get off) the train?
25. I \_\_\_\_\_ (not / change) trains at Victoria.
26. We \_\_\_\_\_ (wake up) very late.
27. What \_\_\_\_\_ (he / give) his mother for Christmas?
28. I \_\_\_\_\_ (receive) £300 when my uncle \_\_\_\_\_ (die).
29. We \_\_\_\_\_ (not / use) the computer last night.
30. \_\_\_\_\_ (she / make) good coffee?
31. They \_\_\_\_\_ (live) in Paris.

32. She \_\_\_\_\_ (read) the newspaper yesterday.
33. I \_\_\_\_\_ (not / watch) TV.
34. He \_\_\_\_\_ (not / study) for the exam.

**TASK B. Put the verbs into the simple past:**

Last year I (go) 1. \_\_\_\_\_ to England on holiday. It (be) 2. \_\_\_\_\_ fantastic. I (visit) 3. \_\_\_\_\_ lots of interesting places. I (be) 4. \_\_\_\_\_ with two friends of mine. In the mornings we (walk) 5. \_\_\_\_\_ in the streets of London. In the evenings we (go) 6. \_\_\_\_\_ to pubs. The weather (be) 7. \_\_\_\_\_ strangely fine. It (not / rain) 8. \_\_\_\_\_ a lot. But we (see) 9. \_\_\_\_\_ some beautiful rainbows. Where (spend / you) 10. \_\_\_\_\_ your last holiday?

**TASK C. Write the past forms of the irregular verbs.**

INFINITIVE	SIMPLE PAST	INFINITIVE	SIMPLE PAST
Meet		Sit	
Drive		Work	
Speak		Run	
Put		Drink	
Write		Dance	
Sing		eat	
do		Study	

**TASK D. Change the sentences into simple past.**

- We move to a new house. → \_\_\_\_\_
- They bring a sandwich. → \_\_\_\_\_
- He doesn't do the homework. \_\_\_\_\_
- They sell cars. → \_\_\_\_\_
- Does he visit his friends? → \_\_\_\_\_

**TASK E. Write the following sentences in simple past.**

- Janet / buy / shoes yesterday → \_\_\_\_\_
- She / clean / her room → \_\_\_\_\_
- Nancy / watch / not / television → \_\_\_\_\_
- She / read / a book → \_\_\_\_\_