

Simple past of irregular verbs: affirmative and negative

- 1 ☆ Complete the table with the correct form of the verbs.

Base form	Simple past
do	1 <i>did</i>
2	took
decide	3
4	left
stay	5
6	worked
go	7
8	finished

- 2 ☆ Write the base forms in exercise 1 in the correct group.

Regular: *decide*

Irregular: *do*

- 3 ☆☆ Complete the text with the simple past form of the verbs in parentheses.

Women who changed the world



When Florence Nightingale 1 *was* (be) 31, she 2 *went* (go) to Germany to learn to be a nurse. In 1853, war 3 *began* (begin) in Crimea and in 1854 she 4 *went* (go) to Turkey to help people there. She 5 *saw* (see) that many of the people in the beds 6 *were* (be) unwashed, hungry and cold. She 7 *worked* (work) hard to change this and saved many lives. She often 8 *spent* (spend) the night making sure everyone was comfortable. When she 9 *came* (come) back to England, she 10 *opened* (begin) the first school for nurses.

- 4 ☆☆☆ Correct the sentences using the information in parentheses.

- Amelia Earhart was the second woman to fly across the Atlantic Ocean. (**first woman**)
She wasn't the second woman. She was the first.
- William Shakespeare was perhaps the greatest English writer. He wrote 15 plays. (**37 plays**)

- Nelson Mandela came from the USA. He was the first black president of that country. (**South Africa**)

- Margaret Bourke-White was a famous photographer and journalist. She took photos of Elvis Presley. (**Gandhi**)

- 5 ☆☆☆ Complete the email with the simple past form of the verbs in the box.

not do go finish ~~have~~ meet
play wake up watch not win

Madi

To: Rosie

Hi Rosie,

I 1 *had* a great weekend. I 2 *didn't do* anything very different. I 3 *played* a volleyball game on Saturday morning but we 4 *lost* the game. I 5 *met* my friends in the afternoon and we 6 *went* shopping in the new department store. On Sunday, I 7 *woke up* very early and I 8 *finished* doing my homework. In the afternoon, I 9 *watched* a TV series. That's all, really. What did you do last weekend? Where did you go?

Madi

- 6 ☆☆☆ Answer the questions at the end of Madi's email in exercise 5 for you.
