

Past simple regular verbs: affirmative and negative

We use the past simple for actions that started and finished at a definite time in the past.

All about grammar

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I	visited	the school.	I	didn't visit	the school.
You	painted	pictures.	You	didn't paint	pictures.
He / She	liked	the job.	He / She	didn't like	the job.
We / They	talked	to the journalist.	We / They	didn't talk	to the journalist.

1 Read and complete using the correct form of the verb.

Look

talked liked worked changed

Dear Diary,

Yesterday, I ¹ visited (visit) an art museum with my class. We ² watched (watch) an artist from Japan. He ³ paints (paint) a beautiful picture of a tree. My friend ⁴ talked (talk) to him. I ⁵ didn't listen (listen), but I ⁶ didn't ask (not ask) any questions. Then a musician ⁷ played (play) an old guitar. I ⁸ didn't like (not like) the music, but it was a very interesting day. I like having lessons outside school!



2 Look and complete using the past simple affirmative and negative.

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- 1 Did she play the piano? She didn't play the piano. She played the guitar.
- 2 Did he design a boat? He designed a boat. He designed a bridge.
- 3 Did you talk to a firefighter? I talked to a firefighter. I didn't talk to a gardener.
- 4 Did we listen to a cook? We didn't listen to a cook. We didn't listen to a scientist.

DESIGNED- DIDN'T TALK- DIDN'T DESIGN- LISTENED- TALKED- DIDN'T LISTEN

3 Write about last weekend. Use the past simple of the verbs in Activities 1 and 2 to help you.

Last weekend, I
