

PAST SIMPLE

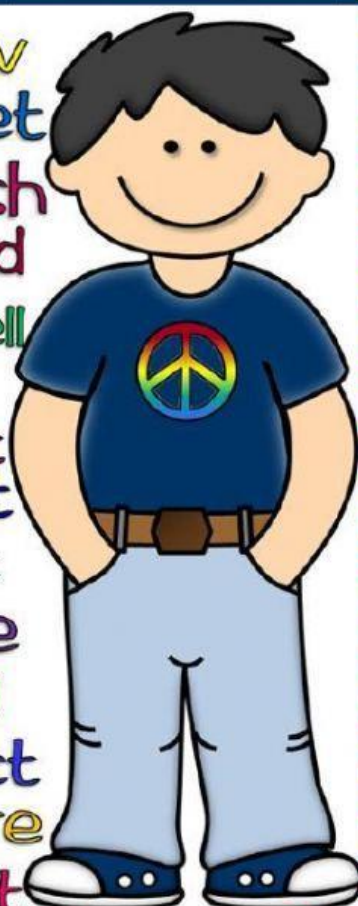
Use **Past Simple** to talk about:

- an action that happened at a definite time in the past
- I **was** hungry after school yesterday.
We **bought** a new computer last week.
Carol **stayed** in bed last Friday.

Common time expressions:

yesterday/the day before yesterday,
last week/month/year/winter/summer,
last Friday/Monday, three hours/days/weeks/months/years ago,
in 2010, 1973, 1649

blow forget
look finish
understand
watch tell
run play
work shut
paint act
give visit
eat take
travel pay



1 Put the verbs in the past form in the correct column.

REGULAR

IRREGULAR

collect
injure
meet
catch bake sit
try close have
ring repair

3 Change the sentences into negative or interrogative.

1. Sally left the window open last night. (—)
2. I washed up the dishes after dinner. (?)
3. The kids woke up early last Saturday. (?)
4. We flew to Dublin last month. (—)
5. Robert crossed the road in a hurry. (—)
6. Jane and Nan ran after the dog. (?)



2 Put the verbs in brackets in the correct form.

1. When I _____ (be) a little girl I _____ (not, drink) coffee.
2. Mr. Parker _____ (come) back home an hour ago.
3. Where _____ (Greg and Helen, meet) last week?
4. I _____ (share) a room with my sister when we _____ (be) kids.
5. Peter _____ (fall) off his bike last Saturday.
6. Who _____ (you, talk) to in the corridor this morning?
7. We _____ (not, build) our house by ourselves.
8. Nick and Terry _____ (drive) to Southampton last weekend.
9. What _____ (your mum, cook) for dinner yesterday?
10. My grandparents _____ (spend) their honeymoon in Italy.
11. Why _____ (not, Amy, bring) her project?
12. Dave _____ (smile) at me.
13. I _____ (dream) about a new MP3 player last night.