

Use of English 5f

• Past simple (irregular verbs)

- 1 Read the table. Say the examples in your language.

Affirmative	I/you/he/she/it/we/you/they went to the cinema yesterday.
Negative	I/you/he/she/it/we/you/they didn't go to the cinema yesterday.
Interrogative	Did I/you/he/she/it/we/you/they go to the cinema yesterday?
Short Answers	Yes , I/you/he/she etc did . No , I/you/he/she etc didn't .

Irregular verbs have irregular past forms.

We ate pizza last night.

She met her friends yesterday.

- 2 Match the verbs (1-17) to their past forms (a-q).

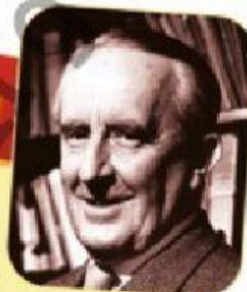
- 1 eat
- 2 make
- 3 wear
- 4 take
- 5 do
- 6 be
- 7 go
- 8 have
- 9 meet
- 10 come
- 11 become
- 12 write
- 13 buy
- 14 sing
- 15 drink
- 16 begin
- 17 fight

- a wrote
- b was/were
- c fought
- d became
- e went
- f made
- g had
- h bought
- i did
- j wore
- k ate
- l took
- m drank
- n sang
- o met
- p came
- q began

- 3 a) Read the biography and put the verbs into the past simple. Which are irregular?

J.R.R. Tolkien

(1892-1973)



J.R.R. Tolkien 1) (be) born in South Africa but he 2) (go) to school in Birmingham, England. Tolkien loved languages as a child. In his lifetime, Tolkien 3) (create) 15 new fantasy languages! Tolkien 4) (fight) in World War I. In 1916, he 5) (marry) Edith Bratt and they 6) (have) four children. In 1925, he 7) (become) a professor at Oxford University. Tolkien 8) (begin) writing *The Hobbit* in 1936. It 9) (make) Tolkien very famous. Later, he 10) (write) *The Lord of the Rings*. It 11) (take) him about ten years to write this book. Tolkien 12) (die) on 2nd September, 1973.



- b) Write questions and answer them, as in the example.

- 1 Where/Tolkien/go to school?
Where did Tolkien go to school?
He went to school in Birmingham, England.
- 2 How many fantasy languages/Tolkien/create?
- 3 Which war/he/fight in?
- 4 Who/he/marry?
- 5 When/he/marry/her?
- 6 How many children/they/have?
- 7 When/Tolkien/become/professor?
- 8 What/he/begin writing/in 1936?
- 9 How long/he/take/to write 'The Lord of the Rings'?
- 10 When/Tolkien/die?

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4 Put the verbs in brackets into the past simple.

Hi Helen!

How are you? I'm fine! I 1) (go) to Sauran with my family last weekend. It's a beautiful ruined city. The Arabs 2) (build) it hundreds of years ago!

We 3) (spend) the whole morning there. We walked around the city and we 4) (speak) to some archaeologists. They 5) (know) lots of things about Sauran. They 6) (tell) us that, in the 14th century, it was the capital of the White Horde!

At lunchtime, we 7) (eat) a picnic outside in the sunshine. It was very quiet and peaceful. There weren't many people in Sauran, but we 8) (see) eagles, horses, lizards and cute tortoises exploring the ancient city! We 9) (have) a really great time!

10) (you/have) a nice birthday?

Write back soon,

Kamila



5 Read the text in Ex. 4 again and correct the false statements.

- 1 Kamila went to Sauran yesterday.
She didn't go yesterday. She went last weekend.
- 2 The English built Sauran.
- 3 Kamila and her family spent the whole day there.
- 4 They spoke to some tour guides.
- 5 They ate their picnic inside.
- 6 They saw lots of people exploring the city.

6 Ask and answer, as in the example.

- 1 you/go to cinema/Saturday?
A: Did you go to the cinema on Saturday?
B: Yes, I did./No, I didn't.
- 2 your dad/read a book/last week?
- 3 you/listen to music/yesterday?
- 4 you/buy a DVD/last month?
- 5 your family/visit a castle/last year?

7 Use the time expressions to write or say sentences about yourself, as in the example.

yesterday last night last Sunday
yesterday morning two years ago

I went to the museum yesterday.

• Talking about the past

8 Use these verbs to find out what your partner did last weekend.

- watch • eat • study English
- go • read • drink • listen
- meet • buy • write

A: Did you watch TV?

B: Yes, I did.

Writing

9 Write a short email to your English pen-friend about what you did last weekend.

Hi ...!
How ...? I ... with ... last weekend.
We the whole day there.
In the morning, we ...
In the afternoon, we ...
I ... very much.
It ... fun!
Write ...,
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