

Grammar Station



Past Simple: Positive & Negative

- ★ We usually add **-d** or **-ed** to the base verb to make the past form. Some verbs change their forms irregularly.
- ★ We put **did not** before the base verb to make negative sentences.

Positive		Negative		
I/We/You/They	worked.	I/We/You/They	did not (=didn't)	work.
He/She/It		He/She/It		

		Base Verb	Past Simple Verb	
most verbs	+ -ed	walk help	walk ed help ed	
verbs ending in -e	+ -d	move live	moved d lived d	
verbs ending in a consonant + -y	y + -ied	cry study	cri ed stud ied	
verbs ending in a vowel + a consonant	double consonant + -ed	stop plan	stop ped plan ned	
irregular	come - came give - gave run - ran see - saw	have - had make - made lose - lost tell - told	go - went eat - ate say - said buy - bought	cut - cut hit - hit break - broke read - read



Henry's family **moved** to a new house.
Everybody **worked** together.
Henry **put** his books on the shelf.

★ Circle the correct past simple forms.

1. slept / slept
2. read / readed
3. danceed / danced
4. studied / studyed
5. planed / planned
6. maked / made

A Write the past simple forms of the verbs.

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|----------|---------------|----------|-------|
| 1. dance | <u>danced</u> | 2. cry | _____ |
| 3. jog | _____ | 4. cut | _____ |
| 5. make | _____ | 6. study | _____ |
| 7. move | _____ | 8. help | _____ |

B Complete the sentences in the past simple.

- do The students did some volunteer work yesterday.
- write Benjamin _____ a postcard.
- live Uncle Martin _____ in Berlin two years ago.
- read I _____ storybooks to children at the library.

C Complete the sentences in the past simple.

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(study / play)
 Charlie studied for the exam.
 He didn't play baseball.
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(read / write)
 My grandpa _____ the newspaper.
 He _____ a letter.
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(dance / sing)
 Larry _____ at the birthday party.
 He _____ a song.
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(go / eat)
 Tim and I _____ to a movie last night.
 We _____ dinner at a restaurant.

A Look at the list and complete the sentences.

Last Vacation



go to Italy ✓

make a robot ✓

watch many films ✗

buy a new camera ✓

run in a half marathon ✗

1. Mike went to Italy.
2. He _____ a robot.
3. He _____ many films.
4. He _____ a new camera.
5. He _____ in a half marathon.

B Complete the sentences.

Past

1. Jenny planned a trip to India.
2. My mom came home early.
3. _____ some cheesecake.
4. The baby didn't cry loudly.
5. My dad _____ yesterday.
6. She didn't study for the exam.

Present

- Jenny plans a trip to India.
- _____ home early.
- They eat some cheesecake.
- _____ loudly.
- My dad arrives today.
- She _____ for the exam.

C Correct the underlined words and rewrite the sentences.

1. I buy a soccer ball yesterday. → I bought a soccer ball yesterday.
2. Lynn wash her dad's car last Saturday. → _____
3. My family gets up early this morning. → _____
4. Susan call me last night. → _____
5. We watch a magic show last Friday. → _____

When you write a newspaper article about an event that happened in the past, you can use the past simple.

★ Complete the newspaper article in the past simple.

TORNADOES HIT THE MIDWEST

By Joseph Ferry



Tornadoes and heavy thunderstorms hit (hit) the Midwest yesterday. Strong winds _____ (destroy) many roads, houses, and bridges. They _____ (knock) down all the trees there. "The sky _____ (is) dark for 20 minutes," a farmer _____ (say). "People here _____ (lose) everything," Wisconsin Mayor Gary Manier _____ (tell) our reporter. He _____ (describe) the scene to CNN's *News Day*. A lot of volunteers _____ (go) there and _____ (help) the rescue team. However, they need more helping hands.



■ Complete the chart.

	Positive	Negative
move	I <u>moved</u> the boxes.	I <u>didn't move</u> the boxes.
cook	My mom _____ curry for lunch.	My mom _____ curry for lunch.
write	The children _____ a postcard.	The children _____ a postcard.
read	He _____ a book after dinner.	He _____ a book after dinner.
come	They _____ back home at 7:00.	They _____ back home at 7:00.
cut	We _____ the paper into circles.	We _____ the paper into circles.
eat	We _____ sandwiches for lunch.	We _____ sandwiches for lunch.