



A Complete the rules below. Use the sentences in the grammar box to help you.

- 1 The simple past of *be* is _____ or *were*. The negative is *wasn't* or _____.
- 2 The simple past of regular verbs ends in *-ed*. For example, _____.
- 3 The simple past of irregular verbs doesn't end in *-ed*. For example, _____.

Simple past

I **visited** the ocean for the first time in my life.

It **was** my first marathon.

I **ran** a red light and **hit** another car.

My friends **weren't** with me.

Simple past negative and questions

	Affirmative	Negative	Question	Short answers
I / He / She / It / You / We / They	studied medicine.	didn't study journalism.	Did he study medicine?	Yes, he did . No, she didn't .

Information questions

What did you study?	Why did she retire?
When did they get married?	Who did you live with?
Where did he come from?	How many children did they have?

B. Structure:

1. positive (be)

- a. Subject + was/were + verb in past + complement
- b. Subject + was/were + complement

2. negative (be)

- a. Subject + was not/were not + verb base form + complement
- b. Subject + was not/were not + complement

3. question (be)

- a. Was/Were + subject + complement?
- b. Subject + was not/were not + complement?

4. positive (other verbs)

- a. Subject + verb in past + complement
- b. Subject + was/were + verb in past + complement

2. negative (other verbs)

- a. Subject + did not + verb base form + complement
- b. Subject + did not + verb in past + complement

3. question (other verbs)

- a. Was/Were + did + subject + complement?
- b. Did+ subject + verb base form + complement?