

PAST SIMPLE:

AFFIRMATIVE: subject + V-ED/ _____ + complements	Completed action that took place at a specific time in the past (we know this thanks to time expressions)	I watched a movie yesterday with my friends. You broke the glass some minutes ago. She didn't play tennis last weekend.
NEGATIVE: subject + _____ + infinitive + complements	Sequence of actions in the past/narrative	She woke up, handed in his exam and left the room. It was late night; he heard a strange noise and approached the door.
INTERROGATIVE: _____ + subject + infinitive + complements ?	Past routines or habits	Every morning last year, I walked to work at 7 am.

TIME EXPRESSIONS: ago/last week/last month.../yesterday/ a few days ago/ in 2012/in January/WHEN/the other day...

PAST CONTINUOUS:

AFFIRMATIVE: subject + TO BE IN PAST (____ / ____ / + VERB - _____ + complements	An action in progress in the past interrupted by another one. (usually, the interrupting action is past simple)	Yesterday at 7pm, I was running in the park when my dad phoned me.
NEGATIVE: subject + TO BE IN PAST (NEGATIVE) (____ / ____ / + VERB - _____ + complements	The action in progress happens at a specific time in the past.	At this time last week, was studying for the Biology test.
INTERROGATIVE: TO BE IN PAST (____ / ____ /) + subject + VERB - _____ + complements?	Background information in a narrative	People were talking , children were playing , and soft music was playing in the background.

Two actions taking place at a specific time in the past

While the teacher **was explaining**, we **were looking** at the board.

TIME EXPRESSIONS: as/while/ at nine o'clock/ at midnight.../ yesterday (all the expressions referring to past simple but specifying the time/moment)