

EXERCISES - PAST SIMPLE

1. Write am/is/are (present) or was/were (past).

1. Last year she *was* 22, so she *is* 23 now.
2. Today the weather.....nice, but yesterday it very cold.
3. I hungry. Can I have something to eat?
4. I feel fine this morning, but I very tired last night.
5. Where.....you at 11 o'clock last Friday morning?
6. Don't buy those shoes. They.....very expensive.
7. I like your new jacket.....it expensive?
8. This time last year I in Paris.
9. 'Where Sam and Joe?' 'I don't know. They here a few minutes ago.'

2. Write was/were or wasn't/weren't.

1. We *weren't* happy with the hotel. Our room *was* very small and it wasn't clean.
2. Mark at work last week because he ill. He's better now.
3. Yesterday.....a public holiday, so the banks.....closed. They're open today.
4. '.....Kate and Ben at the party?' - 'Kate there, but Ben.....'
5. Where are my keys? They on the table, but they're not there now.
6. You at home last night. Where.....you?

3. Complete the sentences. Use a verb from the box.

clean	die	enjoy	finish	happen
open	rain	start	stay	want

1. I *cleaned* my teeth three times yesterday.
2. It was hot in the room, so I the window.
3. The film was very long. It at 7.15 and.....at 10 o'clock.
4. When I was a child, I to be a doctor.
5. The accident..... last Sunday afternoon.
6. The weather is nice today, but yesterday it all day.
7. We our holiday last year. We at a very nice place.

8. Anna's grandfather..... when he was 90 years old.

4. Write the past simple of these verbs.

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| 1. get <i>got</i> | 4. pay | 7. go | 10. know |
| 2. see | 5. visit | 8. think | 11. put |
| 3. play | 6. buy | 9. copy | 12. speak |

5. Complete the sentences using the following verbs in the correct form:

buy	catch	cost	fall	hurt
sell	spend	teach	throw	write

1. Mozart *wrote* more than 600 pieces of music.
2. 'How did you learn to drive?' 'My father me.'
3. We couldn't afford to keep our car, so we it.
4. Dave down the stairs this morning and his leg.
5. Joe the ball to Sue, who it.
6. Kate a lot of money yesterday. She a dress which £100.

6. Complete the sentences. Put the verb into the correct form, positive or negative.

1. It was warm, so I *took* off my coat. (take)
2. The film wasn't very good. I *didn't enjoy* it much. (enjoy)
3. I knew Sarah was busy, so I her. (disturb)
4. We were very tired, so we the party early. (leave)
5. It was hard carrying the bags. They really heavy. (be)
6. The bed was very uncomfortable. I well. (sleep)
7. This watch wasn't expensive. It much. (cost)
8. The window was open and a bird into the room. (fly)
9. I was in a hurry, so I time to call you. (have)
10. I didn't like the hotel. The room very clean. (be)