

GOAL

Describe past activities

1 GRAMMAR • The simple past tense

I You He She We They	liked the movie.	I You He She We They	didn't like the concert.
Did I you he she we they	watch TV last night?	Yes, No, I you he she we they	did. didn't.

Form: regular verbs

Add **-ed** to the base form.
If the base form ends in **-e**,
add **-d**.

call → called like → liked
BUT: study → studied
shop → shopped

2 GRAMMAR PRACTICE Complete the e-mail. Use the simple past tense and the past tense of *be*.

Hi, Lucille: Yesterday was very busy. In the morning, I my teeth,
and the whole house—all before 8:30. Then I until noon. After lunch,
I to the weather report. The weather all my
grandchildren here. We together for a while. Then little Marie the piano
while her older brother Jason in the garden. The other children their
e-mail while I Marie and Jason. At the end of the day, my daughters, Lisa and Eve, came
home, and they dinner for all of us. The kids pasta, of course. Eve
a big pot of water for the noodles. Lisa the tomatoes for the salad. The
children after dinner, and then we to Marie and Jason sing. Brian
1 shave 2 brush 3 clean 4 work 5 listen 6 be 7 invite 8 talk 9 play 10 exercise 11 check 12 watch 13 cook 14 want 15 boil 16 wash 17 study 18 listen

3 GRAMMAR • The simple past tense: information questions

What did you do last weekend?

Where did you go?

When did he get home last night?

How many cups of coffee did she drink?

How often did you take a nap?

Who did they see yesterday?

Irregular verbs (Also see page 125.)

buy → bought	eat → ate	read → read
come → came	get → got	say → said
cut → cut	go → went	see → saw
do → did	have → had	take → took
drink → drank	make → made	think → thought
drive → drove	put → put	write → wrote

BUT: The word order changes when Who is the subject:

Who went to the mall this morning? (We did.)