

LESSON 4: PAST SIMPLE

Exercise 1: Put the verbs in **past simple** forms then write the sentences in **negative** and **interrogative**.

Answer the questions with both Yes (v) – No (x) answers.

1. I _____ (walk) home 2 hours ago.

Negative: _____

Interrogative: _____

Answer: v _____ x _____

2. They _____ (be) in the park yesterday.

Negative: _____

Interrogative: _____

Answer: v _____ x _____

3. We _____ (do) our homework carefully.

Negative: _____

Interrogative: _____

Answer: v _____ x _____

4. Amelia _____ (be) a ballet dancer when she was a child.

Negative: _____

Interrogative: _____

Answer: v _____ x _____

5. My father _____ (use to smoke) a lot in the past.

Negative: _____

Interrogative: _____

Answer: v _____ x _____

Exercise 2: Put the verbs in the **past simple** form and write the correct usages.

a. actions happened in the past with clear time

c. actions happened in order in the past

b. actions happened in the past without clear time

d. actions repeated several times in the past

Sentences	Usages
1. I _____ (see) Justin Timberlake on the street a few days ago.	1 _____
2. My dad _____ (collect) coins and stamps when he was little.	2 _____
3. Allan _____ (pick) up his guitar, _____ (play) for five minutes and _____ (stop).	3 _____
4. We _____ (not visit) Spain for our holidays.	4 _____

5. Why _____ (you, not go) out last night? I _____ (be) too tired and _____ (decide) to stay at home.	5 _____
6. My mother-in-law _____ (use to work) as a chef.	6 _____
7. We _____ (invite) Stephanie to the party, but she _____ (not show) up.	7 _____
8. I _____ (finish) work, _____ (drive) home and _____ (take) a long nap.	8 _____

Exercise 3: Put the verbs in the **past simple form.**

- The old man _____ (fall) on the pavement, so James _____
(stop) to help him.
- We _____ (not be) shock when we _____ (discover) the truth.
- They _____ (stay) up late playing computer game last night.
- The young man _____ (take) out his wallet and _____
(pay) the bill.
- When Lucy _____ (go) to the interview, she _____ (wear,
often) her best suit.
- We _____ (use to hang) out at the abandon amusement park after school.
- Everyone _____ (agree) that it was Bill's faults, but nobody _____
(say) anything.
- I _____ (think) I _____ (know) my irregular verbs, but now
I'm not so sure!
- _____ (you / order) pizza for lunch? No, I _____.
- As soon as I _____ (meet) Doris, I _____ (know) she
_____ (be) someone special.
- Tolstoy _____ (write) some great novels, but he _____
(win, never) a Nobel Prize.
- Anna _____ (not have) any homework last week.
- _____ (the nurse /be) happy when she saw you?
- When they _____ (hear) the fire alarm, everybody _____
(run) out of the building.
- Why _____ (the company / build) a new factory?
- When Jim _____ (carry) his luggage to the lobby, he _____
(realise) that he had forgotten his wallet in his room.

Exercise 4: Fill in the blanks using the verbs below. Use **past simple** form.

<i>be</i>	<i>meet</i>	<i>not watch</i>	<i>be</i>
<i>not enjoy</i>	<i>not go</i>	<i>say</i>	<i>sit</i>

Hi Sam,

It ¹ _____ good to hear your news. Lenny ² _____ you were ill, so I'm glad you are better. Did you watch the big match on TV last night? I ³ _____ it because my parents took me to see a play. The actors ⁴ _____ very good but the play was quite boring and I ⁵ _____ it. I ⁶ _____ in my seat, wishing I was at home watching the football!

Any more news? Oh, yes! I ⁷ _____ Katie the other day and she told me about this new club for teenagers. She asked me to go with her right then, but I had homework to do, so I ⁸ _____. But we set a date for another day. Well, that's all my news.

Best,

Joe

Exercise 5: Use the given words to make sentences. **Change forms if necessary.**

1. It / be / cloudy / yesterday.

2. We / move / to another city / in 1990.

3. When / you / get / the first gift?

4. She / not / go / to the church / five days ago.

5. Where / be / you / yesterday?

6. Mia's parents / come back home / and / have / lunch / late / last night?

7. he / happy / about the news?

8. She / use to / work / in a bank / but / she / leave / and / got / a job / as a gardener.

Exercise 6: Find the mistakes and correct.

Sentence	Mistake	Correction
1. I were at school yesterday.	_____	_____
2. Jane didn't went hiking because she had a cold.	_____	_____
3. I planed my trip to Thailand last week.	_____	_____
4. I used to slept very late.	_____	_____
5. He got in the car, started the engine and drive home.	_____	_____
6. My sister and I doesn't go home early last night.	_____	_____
7. We beated the other team and won the cup.	_____	_____
8. Were they eat spaghetti for dinner 2 days ago?	_____	_____

Exercise 7: Choose the correct answer for Present simple, Present Continuous or Past simple.

- My father _____ 41 years old last year.
A. was B. is C. being
- My mum _____ a party for her best friends once a year.
A. organised B. organises C. is organising
- My brother _____ here. He _____ Spain at the moment.
A. isn't/ is visiting B. wasn't/ visited C. is/ visits
- I _____ the piano when I was in primary school.
A. use to play B. used to played C. used to play
- I last _____ her at her house two years ago.
A. see B. seed C. saw
- I _____ up late but today I did, so I missed the bus to school.
A. didn't usually wake B. don't usually wake C. wasn't usually woke
- How often _____ your dad wash his car?
A. was B. did C. does
- The cat nearly _____ out of the tree.
A. fell B. falls C. is falling
- I stayed awake and _____ the end of the book.
A. reads B. read C. is reading
- My mom _____ when a movie has unhappy ending.
A. always cries B. always cry C. cries always