

4 **GRAMMAR** past simple: regular and irregular verbs

- a What is the past simple of these verbs? Are they regular or irregular? Check your answers in **Joe's** text.

go _____	begin _____
spend _____	leave _____
want _____	be _____ / _____
stay _____	think _____
know _____	argue _____
sunbathe _____	take _____

- b Now underline the past simple ☐ verbs in **Laura's** text. What are the infinitives?
- c Find and underline two past simple ☐ verbs in the two texts. How do you make ☐ and ☐ in the past simple...?
- with normal verbs
 - with *was / were*
 - with *could*
- d ► **p.128 Grammar Bank 2A**. Learn more about the past simple and practise it.

5 PRONUNCIATION regular verbs: -ed endings

a 1 37))) Listen and repeat the sentences.

 tie	We booked a holiday. We walked around the town.
 dog	We sunbathed on the beach. We argued about everything.
/ɪd/	We rented a flat. We decided to break up.

b Say the past simple of these verbs. In which ones is -ed pronounced /ɪd/?

arrive ask end invite like love need park start stay

c 1 38))) Listen and check.



Regular past simple verbs

Remember that we don't normally pronounce the e in -ed.

The -ed ending is usually pronounced /t/ or /d/. The difference between these endings is very small.

We only pronounce the e in -ed when there is a t or a d before it, e.g. wanted, ended. With these verbs -ed = /ɪd/.

6 SPEAKING

- a Look at **Your last holiday** below. What are the questions?
- b Think about your answers to the questions.

YOUR LAST HOLIDAY

- 1 Where / go?
- 2 When / go?
- 3 Who / go with?
- 4 Where / stay?
- 5 What / the food like?
- 6 What / the weather like?
- 7 What / do during the day?
- 8 What / do at night?
- 9 / have a good time?
- 10 / have any problems?



- c Work in pairs. Ask your partner about his / her holiday. Show interest in what he / she says, and ask for more information. Then swap roles.



Useful language for showing interest

- + Really? Wow! Fantastic! Great! etc.
- Oh no! How awful! etc.
- ? Was it expensive? Why? What happened? etc.