

Unit 6

Past simple

1. Regular verbs

1. Read about the Jackson 5. Complete the sentences with one of the verbs in the Past Simple.

The Jackson 5

What do you know about the 1970s band, The Jackson 5?

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| • The family (1) <u>lived</u> in Indiana, a town near Chicago. | start |
| • In 1965 the brothers (2) _____ singing together. | work |
| • The father, Joe, (3) _____ in a steel mill. | live |
| • In 1968 the Jackson 5 (4) _____ their first single. | record |
| • They (5) _____ R & B, soul, and dance music. | play |
| • They (6) _____ everywhere in the US. | travel |
| • The brothers (7) _____ to California in 1968. | stop |
| • They (8) _____ worldwide success. | enjoy |
| • In 1989 the band (9) _____ recording together. | move |
| • The youngest brother, Michael, (10) _____ dancing. | record |
| • In 1982 Michael (11) _____ <i>Thriller</i> . | die |
| • He (12) _____ in 2009. | love |

2. Look at the answers about the Jackson 5. Complete the questions.

- 1 'Where did the family live ?'
'In Indiana.'
- 2 'When _____ singing together?'
'In 1965.'
- 3 'Where _____ ?'
'In a steel mill.'
- 4 'When _____ their first single?'
'In 1968.'
- 5 'What sort of music _____ ?'
'R&B, soul, and dance music.'
- 6 'When _____ to California?'
'In 1968.'
- 7 'What _____ Michael _____ doing?'
'Dancing.'
- 8 'When _____ *Thriller*?'
'In 1982.'

3. Complete the sentences about The Jackson 5.

- 1 The family didn't live in New York.
- 2 Joe _____ in a coal mine.
- 3 The Jackson 5 _____ country and western music.
- 4 They _____ to Europe in 1968.
- 5 They _____ together in the 1990s.
- 6 The brothers _____ the album *Thriller*, just Michael.

2. Pronunciation of -ed

Put each verb according to its pronunciation in past simple.

worked	cleaned	decided	received	lived
watched	talked	moved	wanted	earned
opened	stayed	stopped	finished	walked
liked	enjoyed	travelled	died	started

/t/	/d/	/ɪd/
worked	cleaned	decided

3. Irregular verbs

1. Complete the sentences with the Past Simple form of an irregular verb.

- 1 I didn't go to New York, I went to Chicago.
- 2 We didn't meet Tom, we _____ Harry.
- 3 He didn't leave last week, he _____ yesterday.
- 4 We didn't see a film, we _____ a play.
- 5 I didn't buy a computer, I _____ a camera.
- 6 He didn't send a letter, he _____ an email.
- 7 She didn't make spaghetti, she _____ lasagne.
- 8 We didn't have white wine, we _____ red wine.

2. Read the text. Put the verbs in brackets into the Past Simple

Chinese girl makes pop song on her mobile phone

In 2010 a clever young singer from China (1) made (make) a song using only her mobile phone.

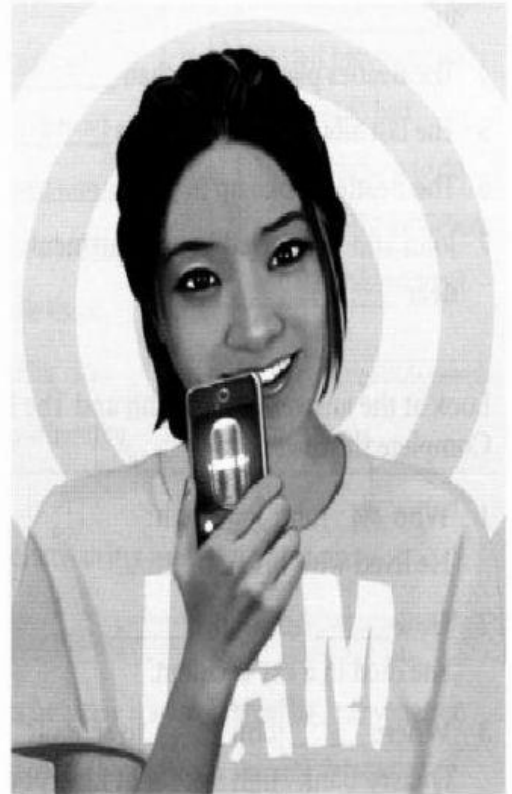
Pixie Tea, a Chinese pop star, (2) _____ (write) the song with phone apps. The song is called 'ABCD Said'.

Pixie Tea's real name is Zhang Xuanyan, and she comes from the Chinese city of Xi'an. It (3) _____ (take) her three days to record the song. Then she (4) _____ (put) a video of it on YouTube. More than one million people (5) _____ (see) it online.

'I (6) _____ (have) the idea in 2009,' says PixieTea. 'I (7) _____ (begin) with the bass line, and then added drums.'

She (8) _____ (send) the song to Apple to see if they wanted to use it in their advertisements.

'Now I want to write more songs,' she says.



4. Past expressions

Select the correct past expression.

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| 1 I went to the cinema <u>last night</u> / last evening. | 5 Some friends came round yesterday evening / last evening. |
| 2 I had an English lesson yesterday afternoon / last afternoon. | 6 I went to Italy for last September / last September. |
| 3 My sister got married the last year / last year. | 7 I lost my wallet the last Friday / last Friday. |
| 4 I worked very hard last week / in last week. | 8 I got up late yesterday morning / last morning. |

Reading

5. John Lennon 1940-1980

John Lennon

1940–1980

John Lennon was one of The Beatles. With Paul McCartney he wrote some of the greatest songs of the 20th century.



John Lennon had an unhappy childhood. His father left home when he was five. His mother couldn't bring him up, so John lived with his aunt Mimi until he was 19. When he was 17, his mother died in a car crash.

He went to Quarry Bank High School in Liverpool. He met George Harrison and Paul McCartney, and in 1960 they started a band called The Beatles.

The Beatles recorded their first single 'Love Me Do' in 1962. They became famous in 1963, when they played more than 200 concerts. In 1964 they went to the United States for the first time and played on American television.

End of concerts

The Beatles stopped playing live concerts in 1966 because the audience made so much noise that nobody could hear the music. But they continued to record songs, and in 1967 they made the album *Sgt Pepper's Lonely Hearts Club Band*. The last album they recorded together was *Abbey Road*.

John Lennon married the artist, Yoko Ono, in 1969, and in 1970 The Beatles broke up. John and Yoko moved to New York. John wrote and sang his most famous song 'Imagine' in 1971. In 1980 he recorded a new album, *Double Fantasy*.

He was killed a month later. An American, Mark Chapman, shot him outside his New York apartment near Central Park. Two days before his murder John Lennon told an interviewer, 'I feel safe in New York. I can go anywhere. It's my home.'

1. Read about John Lennon. Complete the sentences.

- 1 John's father left home when he was five .
- 2 His mother died when _____ .
- 3 He started The Beatles with Paul and George in _____ .
- 4 The Beatles played more than _____ .
- 5 The last album they made was _____ .
- 6 The Beatles broke up in _____ .
- 7 John and Yoko lived in an apartment near _____ .

2. Look at the answers about John and the Beatles. Complete the questions.

- 1 'Who did John live with?'
'He lived with his aunt Mimi.'
- 2 'How _____ his mother _____?'
'She died in a car accident.'
- 3 'Where _____ John _____ to school?'
'Quarry Bank High School in Liverpool.'
- 4 'When _____ The Beatles _____?'
'They started in 1960.'
- 5 'When _____ they first _____ to the United States?'
'In 1964.'
- 6 'Why _____ they _____ playing live concerts?'
'Because the audience made too much noise.'
- 7 'Who _____ John _____ in 1969?'
'Yoko Ono.'
- 8 'Where _____ they _____ to?'
'New York.'
- 9 'When _____ John _____ and _____
Imagine?'
'In 1971.'

Vocabulary

6. Describing feelings

1. Match a line in **A** with a line in **B**.

A	B
1 The concert was boring	a ☐ because it was his birthday.
2 I was very tired	b ☐ 'Because you're late again!'
3 The little boy was excited	c ☒ so I left before the end.
4 I'm interested in modern art	d ☐ so I went to bed.
5 'Why are you annoyed with me?'	e ☐ There's so much to do.
6 I'm worried because it's 10 p.m.	f ☐ so I loved the exhibition.
7 I was so bored in the lesson.	g ☐ and the children aren't home yet.
8 Berlin is a very exciting city.	h ☐ I met a lot of nice people.
9 The party was very interesting.	i ☐ I hate maths.

2. Complete the sentences using each adjective.

interesting interested

- 1 I like *The Times* because it's an interesting newspaper.
- 2 I don't want to watch the football. I'm not interested.

bored boring

- 3 You look _____. Don't you like opera?
- 4 I hate politicians! They're so _____!

excited exciting

- 5 Hooray! We're on holiday! I'm so _____!
- 6 It's very _____ when you go abroad for the first time.

annoyed annoying

- 7 She eats with her mouth open. It's very _____.
- 8 I get very _____ when people don't say 'Please' or 'Thank you'.

Everyday English

7. What's the date?

Match the numbers and the words.

2 nd	Fifth
25 th	Tenth
10 th	First
1 st	Third
19 th	Ninth
30 th	Second
3 rd	Twenty-fifth
9 th	Twelfth
5 th	Nineteenth
12 th	Thirtieth

Don't forget!

8. Present and past

Complete the conversation with do / does / did / didn't / was / were / had

- A Where (1) were you at school?
- B I (2) _____ at school in Manchester.
- A (3) _____ you like it?
- B Not really. I (4) _____ enjoy it very much.
- A (5) _____ it a good school?
- B Well, it (6) _____ a very good reputation, but I (7) _____ like the teachers.
- A Why not? (8) _____ they horrible?
- B Not all of them but some of them.
- A (9) _____ you enjoy the sixth form?
- B Yes, I (10) _____ a good time in my last two years. It was a bit better.
- A What school (11) _____ your children go to?
- B I only have one child – a daughter. She goes to the local school.
- A (12) _____ she like it?
- B Yes, she's very happy there. Thank goodness!

9. The or no article

Complete the sentences with the or –

- 1 What's the name of this hotel?
- 2 I go to — work by — bus.
- 3 Can you tell me — time?
- 4 I live in — city centre.
- 5 What time do you have — lunch?
- 6 I went to — cinema last night.
- 7 This is — best restaurant in — world!
- 8 I have a house in — country.
- 9 I saw James — last month.
- 10 Can you play — guitar?
- 11 The football's on — television tonight.
- 12 Their flat is on — first floor.