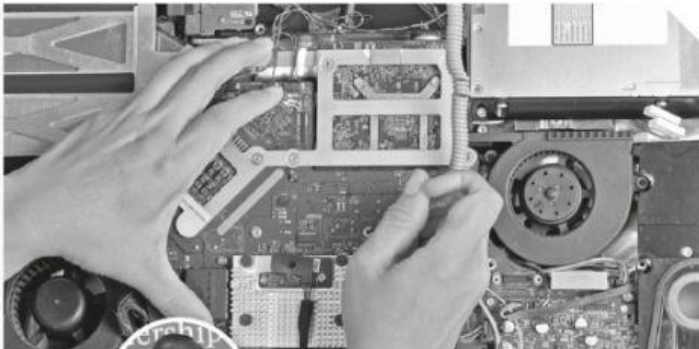


Grammar

Past simple (affirmative): irregular

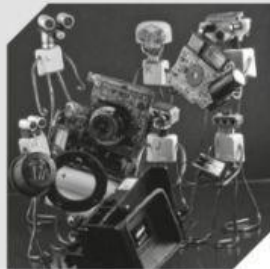
I can talk about past events.

- 1 Complete the text. Use the past simple affirmative form of the irregular verbs in brackets.



SAM KODO from Togo, in Africa, is an inventor and a businessman – and he

when he was very young. When he ² _____ (become) an inventor only seven years old, he ³ _____ (build) his own robot. The robot ⁴ _____ (can) move around a room and follow instructions. Sam's father teaches at the university in Lomé, the capital of Togo. At a young age, Sam often ⁵ _____ (go) with his father to work and ⁶ _____ (read) books in the library there. His favourite books ⁷ _____ (be) about electronics. Sam ⁸ _____ (begin) to make things using old parts from broken TVs and other electrical devices. Sometimes, he ⁹ _____ (break) his own toys to get the parts! When he was fifteen, he ¹⁰ _____ (make) his first smartphone and PC. Now Sam has his own computer company in Togo.



- 2 In some of these sentences, the past simple form is incorrect. Underline the incorrect verbs and write the sentence correctly. Tick the correct sentences.

- 1 I took a lot of photos yesterday.
- 2 I did my homework this morning.
- 3 We spoke to the teacher earlier.
- 4 I had cereal for breakfast.
- 5 You came home late last night.
- 6 My grandfather fought in World War 2.

- 3** Complete the sentences with the past simple affirmative form of the verbs below. All the verbs are irregular.

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- 1 When I was at the beach, I _____ a picture of a face in the sand.
- 2 She's in hospital because she _____ off her horse.
- 3 He _____ presents for all of his family.
- 4 She _____ about her answer for a long time before speaking.
- 5 My friend _____ a gold ring at the bottom of a swimming pool.
- 6 They _____ the last bus home at midnight.
- 7 She _____ about becoming a film star.
- 8 The teacher _____ me using my smartphone in class.

Which of the verbs also has a regular past simple form?

- 4 Write sentences in the past simple affirmative. Some verbs are regular and some are irregular.

- 1 we / see / an interesting film / last night
- 2 I / travel / around Japan / last summer
- 3 my brother / bring / home / a cat / yesterday
- 4 I / get / a good grade / last term
- 5 my cousins / arrive / a few minutes ago
- 6 the lesson / finish / an hour ago
- 7 I / cook / dinner / yesterday evening
- 8 my parents / teach / abroad / ten years ago

- 5 Choose six irregular verbs from the words below. Write six true sentences about yourself. Include some of the time expressions from exercise 4.

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