

Talking about the past



- Waiter:** Hi, there. I'm David and I'm your waiter for today.
Are you enjoying your vacation?
- Woman:** Yes, thanks.
- Waiter:** Is this your first day in Orlando?
- Woman:** No, we came here two days ago.
- Waiter:** Where are you from?
- Woman:** Canada.... We're from Toronto.
- Waiter:** Did you go to a theme park yesterday?
- Woman:** Yes. We went to Universal Studios.
- Waiter:** Did you have a good time?
- Woman:** Yes, thank you.
- Waiter:** Great! Now, what can I get you for breakfast?



- Waiter:** What did you do last weekend?
- Receptionist:** I went to Tampa.
- Waiter:** Really? How did you go?
- Receptionist:** I went by car.
- Waiter:** How long did it take?
- Receptionist:** It took about two hours.
- Waiter:** Did you have a good time?
- Receptionist:** Yeah, great.



- Tourist:** Excuse me. I left my glasses here this morning.
- Receptionist:** Where did you leave them?
- Tourist:** Over there. I was at the table by the window.
- Receptionist:** Well, you're lucky. The waiter found them about an hour ago.
- Tourist:** Thank goodness! I was really worried.
- Receptionist:** There you go. He gave them to me a few minutes ago.
- Tourist:** Yes. Those are mine. They're new. I lost my last pair.



Exercise 1

A: Where did you go yesterday?
B: I went to Tampa. There was a lot of traffic.
A: How long did it take? / How far is it?
B: It took about three hours. / It's about 90 miles.
A: How long does it usually take?
B: About two hours.

Make more conversations with the map.

A: Where did you go yesterday?
B: _____
A: How long did it take? / How far is it?
B: _____
A: How long does it usually take?
B: _____



Exercise 2: Ask and answer

- 1. How did you go to school last year? _____
- 2. How long did it take? _____
- 3. What did you do last weekend? _____
- 4. What did you do yesterday evening? _____
- 5. Where were you (an hour) ago? _____
- 6. Where were you (two years) ago? _____

Summary

I					Present	Past	Present	Past
You	did saw bought	it them	an hour	ago.	leave	left	drive	drove
We			two days		lose	lost	spend	spent
They			five minutes		give	gave	win	won
He			three weeks		think	thought	find	found
She			a year					

Exercise 3

It's five o'clock now.

The Lost Property Office is closing.

The Clerk is looking at the lost property book.

A Mrs Key lost an umbrella.

B Miss Clark found it.

C I gave it to Mrs Key two hours ago.

Now write sentences about the other things.

1 A _____

B _____

C _____

2 A _____

B _____

C _____

3 A _____

B _____

C _____

Exercise 4: Answer these questions.

1 Where are you now? _____

2 How long ago did you get up? _____

3 What did you get for your birthday? _____

4 How much time did you study yesterday? _____

5 Did you lose anything last year? _____

6 What did you lose? _____

7 Did you find anything last year? _____

8 What did you find? _____

Tuesday

CITY BUS COMPANY—Lost Property

ITEM	LOSER	FINDER	TIME OF COLLECTION
1. Umbrella	Mrs Key	Miss Clark	3.00
2. Briefcase	Mr Wilkins	Mrs Owen	4.00
3. Gold pen	Miss Spock	Mr Wallace	4.30
4. Hand bag	Mrs Davis	Mr Ballam	4.45