

# SIMPLE PAST TENSE

## ENGLISH LEVEL A1

### Grammar

#### We use it to talk about...

Usamos el pasado simple para hablar acerca de...

#### 1 Past habits

Habitos pasados

- I **went** to the gym for 10 years.
- I **played** the piano when I **was** young.



#### 2 Past facts

Hechos pasados

- The Berlin wall **fell** in 1989.
- John Lennon **died** in 1980



#### 3 Series of completed actions in the past.

Una serie de acciones terminadas en el pasado

- I **visited** my grandmother, **stayed** for 3 or 4 hours, **chatted** with her and **went** to my home.



#### 4 Completed actions in the past

Acciones que iniciaron y terminaron en el pasado

- We **went** to the conference two days ago.
- We **saw** my English teacher last Sunday.



#### 5 Actions in stories or plays

Acciones que suceden en historias, obras o películas.

- In the story he **sat down** and **ordered** a coffee.
- In the play Odysseus **returned** to Ithaca and **met** his wife.



### TIME EXPRESSIONS

Expresiones de tiempo

| LAST pasado(a) | AGO hace       | YESTERDAY ayer           |
|----------------|----------------|--------------------------|
| Last night     | 10 minutes ago | yesterday                |
| Last Monday... | And hour ago   | Yesterday morning        |
| Last week      | 3 days ago     | Yesterday afternoon      |
| Last weekend   | A week ago     | Yesterday evening        |
| Last month     | A month ago    | The day before yesterday |
| Last year      | A year ago     | Yesterday night          |



### SPELLING RULES FOR REGULAR VERBS

Reglas gramaticales para los verbos regulares

| SPELLING RULES   | EXAMPLES   |
|--|--|
| 1. Para transformar al pasado a la mayoría de verbos se agrega <b>ED</b> .   | Walk - <b>walked</b><br>Play - <b>played</b>                           |
| 2. Si el verbo termina en "E" solo agrega <b>D</b> .   | Like - <b>liked</b><br>Move - <b>moved</b>                             |
| 3. Si el verbo termina en una <b>CONSONANTE + "Y"</b> , cambia la "Y" por una "I" latina y agrega <b>ED</b> .  | Carry - <b>carried</b><br>Study - <b>studied</b><br>Cry - <b>cried</b> |
| 4. Si el verbo es un monosílabo que termina en <b>CONSONANTE+ VOCAL+ CONSONANTE (CVC)</b> duplica la última consonante y agrega <b>ED</b> .  | Plan - <b>Planned</b><br>Stop - <b>Stopped</b>                         |
| 5. Si tu verbo tiene dos sílabas y lleva la mayor fuerza de voz en la segunda sílaba y termina en <b>CONSONANTE+ VOCAL+ CONSONANTE (CVC)</b> , duplica la última consonante y agrega <b>ED</b> . | Commit - <b>Committed</b><br>Prefer - <b>Preferred</b>                 |

#### Positive form

Subject + verb in past + complement

|         |        |  |
|---------|--------|--|
| I       | walked | Yesterday .<br>2 hours ago.<br>last monday |
| you     | ran    |  |
| he      | ate    |  |
| she     | played |  |
| it      |        |  |
| we they |        |  |

Como puedes observar usamos verbos regulares e irregulares en pasado con todos los sujetos.



Subject + didn't + verb(base form) + complement.

#### Negative form

Al usar el auxiliar **DIDN'T** en oraciones negativas debes escribir los verbos en su forma **original** o forma base.

|         |               |      |  |
|---------|---------------|------|--|
| I       | <b>didn't</b> | walk | Yesterday .<br>2 hours ago.<br>last monday |
| you     |               | run  |  |
| he      |               | eat  |  |
| she     |               | play |  |
| it      |               |      |  |
| we they |               |      |  |



#### Questions form

Did + Subject + verb(base form) + complement+?

|            |         |                            |   |
|------------|---------|----------------------------|---|
| <b>Did</b> | I       | walk<br>run<br>eat<br>play | Yesterday ?<br>2 hours ago?<br>last monday? |
|            | you     |                            |   |
|            | he      |                            |   |
|            | she     |                            |   |
|            | it      |                            |   |
|            | we they |                            |   |

Al usar el auxiliar **Did** en preguntas debes escribir el verbo en su forma **original** o forma base.



### Short Answers

Respuestas cortas

|             |                                     |                |
|-------------|-------------------------------------|----------------|
| <b>YES,</b> | I - you - he - she - it - we - they | <b>did.</b>    |
| <b>NO,</b>  | I - you - he - she - it - we - they | <b>didn't.</b> |

### Let's practice

- I \_\_\_\_\_ (play) soccer three days ago.
- Antonio \_\_\_\_\_ (watch) a movie yesterday.
- She \_\_\_\_\_ (go) to the supermarket an hour ago.
- Felix \_\_\_\_\_ (wake up) at 8.am last weekend.
- They \_\_\_\_\_ (sleep) four hours last Friday.
- Mary \_\_\_\_\_ (not work) yesterday.
- The children \_\_\_\_\_ (not run) 2 kilometers last year
- \_\_\_\_\_ they \_\_\_\_\_ (wash ) the dishes yesterday night?.
- \_\_\_\_\_ you \_\_\_\_\_ ( study) English a month ago?
- \_\_\_\_\_ she \_\_\_\_\_ (deliver) food yesterday afternoon?.