

# PAST SIMPLE

We use the past tense to talk about:

- something that happened **once in the past**:

We **went** to Spain for our holidays.

They **got** home very late last night.

- something that happened **again and again in the past**:

When I was a boy I **walked** a mile to school every day.

We **swam** a lot while we were on holiday.

- something that was **true for some time** in the past:

I **lived** abroad for ten years.

She **played** a lot of tennis when she was younger.

**Form:**

+ We **went** to Spain for our holidays.

- We **didn't play** tennis last week.

? **Did** you **go** to the cinema last night?

## ACTIVITY 1: COMPLETE THE CHART: IRREGULAR VERBS.

INFINITIVE	PAST
AM (to be)	
IS (to be)	
ARE (to be)	
BEGIN	
BREAK	
BUY	
CHOOSE	
CUT	
DRAW	
EAT	
FIND	
GET	

INFINITIVE	PAST
GIVE	
GO	
HAVE	
KEEP	
KNOW	
LOSE	
MEET	
SPEAK	
THINK	
UNDERSTAND	
WIN	
WRITE	

**ACTIVITY 2: COMPLETE THE CHART: REGULAR VERBS.**

INFINITIVE	PAST
ASK	
BELIEVE	
CALL	
CHANGE	
CONTINUE	
FOLLOW	
HAPPEN	
HELP	
LIKE	
LIVE	
LOOK	
MOVE	

INFINITIVE	PAST
NEED	
PLAY	
PROVIDE	
SEEM	
START	
TALK	
TRY	
TURN	
USE	
WANT	
WATCH	
WORK	

**ACTIVITY 3: FILL IN THE BLANKS WITH THE CORRECT FORM OF THE VERBS IN BRACKETS.**

- 1) My uncle \_\_\_\_\_ (**visit**) us this weekend.
- 2) I \_\_\_\_\_ (**listen**) to music with my friends.
- 3) We \_\_\_\_\_ (**study**) hard for the exam, so we \_\_\_\_\_ (**answer**) all the questions.
- 4) “ \_\_\_\_\_ you \_\_\_\_\_ (**finish**) your homework?”  
“No, I \_\_\_\_\_.”
- 5) I \_\_\_\_\_ (**wait**) for the school bus but it \_\_\_\_\_ (**not-come**).
- 6) Karen \_\_\_\_\_ (**ask**) for help to finish her homework.
- 7) \_\_\_\_\_ you \_\_\_\_\_ (**invite**) them to your party last week?
- 8) Yesterday night, somebody \_\_\_\_\_ (**knock**) at the door. But I \_\_\_\_\_ (**not-open**) it.
- 9) The students \_\_\_\_\_ (**walk**) down the street with their teachers.
- 10) Something strange \_\_\_\_\_ (**happen**) last night.
- 11) Tom \_\_\_\_\_ (**check**) his answers.
- 12) The postman \_\_\_\_\_ (**deliver**) the letters.
- 13) We \_\_\_\_\_ (**live**) in Madrid three years ago.
- 14) Helen \_\_\_\_\_ (**not-study**) for the exam and she \_\_\_\_\_ (**fail**).

#### ACTIVITY 4: WRITE NEGATIVES AND QUESTIONS.

1) Clare played tennis this weekend.

(?).....  
(-) .....

2) David washed his car on Saturday.

(?).....  
(-) .....

3) Kate finished her homework.

(?).....  
(-) .....

4) All the students answered the questions.

(?).....  
(-) .....

5) Marta waited for the bus.

(?).....  
(-) .....

6) John watched TV all the day.

(?).....  
(-) .....

7) Alex washed the dishes.

(?).....  
(-) .....

#### ACTIVITY 4: GIVE SHORT ANSWERS TO THE QUESTIONS.

1-Did you close the door?

(+) \_\_\_\_\_  
(-) \_\_\_\_\_

2-Did your father wash his car?

(+) \_\_\_\_\_  
(-) \_\_\_\_\_

3-Did Marta tidy her room?

(+) \_\_\_\_\_  
(-) \_\_\_\_\_

4- Did your classmates study for the test?

(+) \_\_\_\_\_  
(-) \_\_\_\_\_