

I. Simple past – affirmative, negative and questions

Make affirmative or negative statements and questions in the simple past.

1. I _____ (not / drink) any beer last night.
2. She _____ (get on) the bus in the centre of the city.
3. What time _____ (he / get up) yesterday?
4. Where _____ (you / get off) the train?
5. I _____ (not / change) trains at Victoria.
6. We _____ (wake up) very late.
7. What _____ (he / give) his mother for Christmas?
8. I _____ (receive) £300 when my uncle _____
(die).
9. We _____ (not / use) the computer last night.
10. _____ (she / make) good coffee?
11. They _____ (live) in Paris.
12. She _____ (read) the newspaper yesterday.
13. I _____ (not / watch) TV.
14. He _____ (not / study) for the exam.
15. _____ (he / call) you?
16. _____ (I / forget) something?
17. What time _____ (the film / start)?
18. He _____ (have) a shower.
19. Why _____ (you / come)?
20. _____ (he / go) to the party?

II. Simple past - essay

Change the verbs in brackets into the simple past. Some are regular and some are irregular.

Yesterday (to be) _____ a busy day. I (wake) _____ up at 6am, (have) _____ breakfast quickly and then I (go) _____ to work. I (finish) _____ at noon and then (eat) _____ some lunch. Afterwards I (drive) _____ to the shops, (buy) _____ some paint and then (paint) _____ my bedroom. My housemate (come) _____ home from work so I (help) _____ him paint his room, then we (repair) _____ his chair as it (wobble) _____ a lot. I (wish) _____ I hadn't, as I hurt my hand! After that I (clean) _____ my house. I (vacuum) _____ all the downstairs and then (tidy) _____ up the living room and the kitchen. I was pretty tired by then so I (eat) *ate* some dinner, (yawn) _____, and (go) _____ to bed!

III. Simple past – sentence completion

Change the verbs below into the simple past and put them in the correct place in the sentences.

Pay :: Ring :: Think :: Drink :: See :: Eat :: Go :: Take :: Leave :: Say

1. I _____ that he was fired.
2. My mum _____ me last night but I wasn't at home to take her answer.
3. I _____ to the zoo with my son last weekend.
4. I _____ four cakes for lunch. I feel sick!
5. He _____ him to see the doctor because he had been ill for so long.
6. I _____ that new movie last night. It was great!
7. He _____ his son alone all day!
8. I _____ two bottle of grape juice last night. I don't feel too well today.
9. They _____ it tasted horrible.
10. It was too expensive and we _____ too much for it.

IV. Simple past – complete the questions

Complete the questions with the simple past.

Example: I asked Tim. - **Who did you ask?**

1. I met somebody. Who ?
2. Harry arrived. What time ?
3. I saw Bob yesterday. Who yesterday?
4. They wanted something. What ?
5. The meeting ended. What time ?
6. Pat went home early. Why home early?
7. We had fish for dinner. What for dinner?
8. It cost a lot of money. How much ?
9. He bought a T - shirt. What ?
10. We ate ham and eggs. What ?