



Simple Past & PAST TENSE

Aesop's Fables & PAST PERFECT

The fox without a tail

1) Look at and listen this cartoon tells using the Simple Past and Past Perfect. For listening and looking at it, click on the center of the illustration of the video.



2) COMPREHENSION

Listen and read then click TRUE or FALSE.

See again the video, and answers: press on true (T) or False (F)

a. One day a fox was walking in a meadow.

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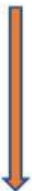
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b. His tail was stuck in a trap!

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-  c. Oh, he was very happy! T F
-  d. The trap hurt too much... his tail, ohh!!! T F
-  e. With the tears in his eyes did not battle to free himself from the trap. T F
-  f. He did not what he do. T F
-  g. He felt himself strong and brave. T F
-  h. In the end he managed to free himself from the trap. T F
-  i. Fortunately his tail had not been ruined by the trap! T F
-  j. So he decided to meet his friends in the woods (forest) T F
-  k. He asked them what they made of their tails: when had to sit down, or when, kept outside, someone tripped over the ground! T F
-  l. Then the fox told them that she had cut off his tail: in that way no more problems! T F
-  m. For the fox is a useful thing, his tail!.  T F
-  n. Meanwhile a young fox jumped on the higher place and addressed to everyone. T F
-  o. The young fox liked the words of the other fox. T F
-  p. The rest of the animals went laughing away: why cut off their tails!!! T F



3) Listen again the story and read by yourself!

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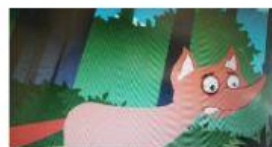
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Oh! Ah! That hurts so much! Oh! My tail is stuck in a trap. What would I do now?



After battling for long with his tail and the trap he gave a final try and with that came another snapping voice.



Tears coming out of his eyes, the fox mourned: -Oh my tail! My tail! I lost my furry beautiful tail! What I do now?

I'll become laughing stock of my school now! This is so embarrassing!

And he walked deeper into the forest with his head bowed down in sorrow.

He decided to call a meeting of all of his friends.

Friends! I have gathered you for a reason today.

While I was walking through the forest, I kept wondering we have eyes, nose, ears, teeth, legs, all for some reasons.



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And keeps bothering us for some reason or the other.

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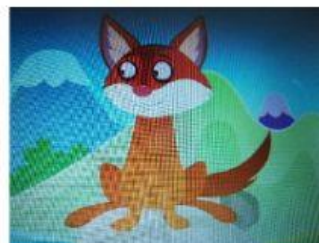
So after deep thought, I cut off my tail and want you to do the same.
It feels great without that useless thing!

))) The skulk of fox kept looking at the fox in amazement as to he was saying.

))) It's true but nobody has really through about them without tail!

))) It surely would be painful to do that.

Meanwhile a young fox jumped on the higher place and addressed the skulk.



))) Are you saying this because you no longer have a beautiful fury tail?

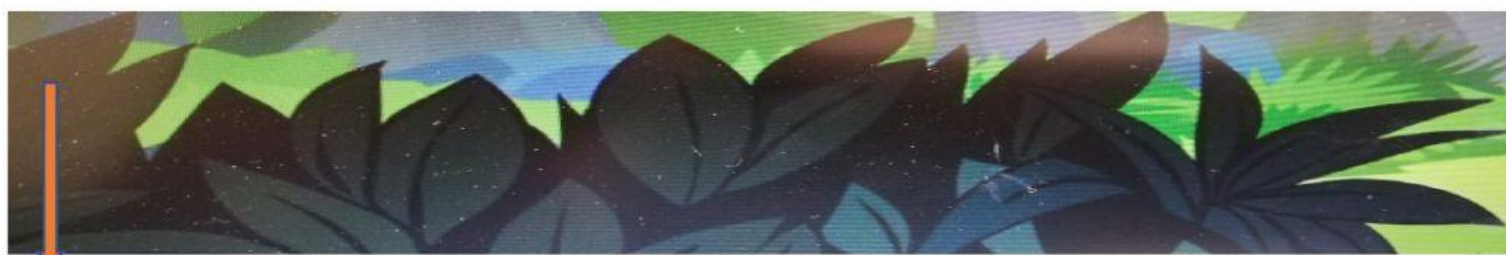
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))) And the rest of the skulk went laughing away and discussing as to how selfish and mean the fox.



))) In order to not to feel embarrassed, he wants everyone to chop off their tails?

THE END



4)CHOOSE the VERBS TO SIMPLE PAST in the text and TICK ON THE CORRECT ONE.

SIMPLE PRESENT	SIMPLE PAST	SIMPLE PRESENT	SIMPLE PAST
))) ♦ be (am-is-are)	))) ♦ was / were	))) ♦ hurt	))) ♦ hurt
))) ♦ do	))) ♦ did	))) ♦ give	))) ♦ gave

 ♦ come	 ♦ came	 ♦ mourn	 ♦ mourned
 ♦ become	 ♦ became	 ♦ call	 ♦ called
 ♦ gather	 ♦ gathered	 ♦ keep	 ♦ kept
 ♦ have	 ♦ had	 ♦ need	 ♦ needed
 ♦ get	 ♦ get	 ♦ leave	 ♦ left
 ♦ trip	 ♦ tripped	 ♦ cut off	 ♦ cut off
 ♦ want	 ♦ wanted	 ♦ feel	 ♦ felt
 ♦ jump	 ♦ jumped	 ♦ address	 ♦ addressed
 ♦ embarrass	 ♦ embarrassed	 ♦ go	 ♦ went
 ♦ mean	 ♦ meant	 ♦ chop	 ♦ chopped



Put a tick only on Past not present

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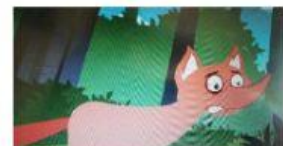


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