

EXERCISES ON THE SIMPLE PAST TENSE

EXERCISE I. Use the past form of the verbs: (*Sử dụng dạng thức quá khứ của các động từ*)

1. Yesterday, I (go) _____ to the restaurant with a client.
2. We (drive) _____ around the parking lot for 20 mins to find a parking space.
3. When we (arrive) _____ at the restaurant, the place (be) _____ full.
4. The waitress (ask) _____ us if we (have) _____ reservations.
5. I (say) _____, "No, my secretary forgets to make them."
6. The waitress (tell) _____ us to come back in two hours.
7. My client and I slowly (walk) _____ back to the car.
8. Then we (see) _____ a small grocery store.
9. We (stop) in the grocery store and (buy) _____ some sandwiches.
10. That (be) _____ better than waiting for two hours.
11. I (not go) _____ to school last Sunday.
12. She (get) _____ married last year?
13. What you (do) _____ last night? - I (do) _____ my homework.
14. I (love) _____ him but no more.
15. Yesterday, I (get) _____ up at 6 and (have) _____ breakfast at 6.30.

EXERCISE II. Complete the sentences below using the past simple form of the verbs. (*Hoàn thành các câu sau bằng cách sử dụng dạng thứ quá khứ đơn của các động từ*)

1. I _____ at home all weekend. (stay)
2. Angela _____ to the cinema last night. (go)
3. My friends _____ a great time in Nha Trang last year. (have)
4. My vacation in Hue _____ wonderful. (be)
5. Last summer I _____ Ngoc Son Temple in Ha Noi. (visit)
6. My parents _____ very tired after the trip. (be)
7. I _____ a lot of gifts for my little sister. (buy)
8. Lan and Mai _____ sharks, dolphins and turtles at Tri Nguyen aquarium. (see)
9. Trung _____ chicken and rice for dinner. (eat)
10. They _____ about their holiday in Hoi An. (talk)
11. Phuong _____ to Hanoi yesterday. (return)
12. We _____ the food was delicious. (think)
13. Yesterday, I (go) _____ to the restaurant with a client.
14. We (drive) _____ around the parking lot for 20 mins to find a parking space.
15. When we (arrive) _____ at the restaurant, the place (be) _____ full.
16. The waitress (ask) _____ us if we (have) _____ reservations.
17. I (say) _____, "No, my secretary forgets to make them."

[GRAMMAR] [PROCESS 2] [TENSES - THE SIMPLE PAST TENSE]

18. The waitress (tell) _____ us to come back in two hours.
19. My client and I slowly (walk) _____ back to the car.
20. Then we (see) _____ a small grocery store.
21. We (stop) in the grocery store and (buy) _____ some sandwiches.
22. That (be) _____ better than waiting for two hours.
23. I (not go) _____ to school last Sunday.
24. She (get) _____ married last year?
25. What you (do) _____ last night? - I (do) _____ my homework.
26. I (love) _____ him but no more.
27. Yesterday, I (get) _____ up at 6 and (have) _____ breakfast at 6.30.
28. They (buy) _____ that house last year.
29. She (not go) _____ to school yesterday.
30. That boy (have) _____ some eggs last night.

EXERCISE III. Write complete sentences below by using the past simple of the verbs. (Hoàn thành các câu sau bằng việc sử dụng các động từ ở thì quá khứ đơn)

1. I / go swimming / yesterday.
→
2. Mrs. Nhung / wash / the dishes.
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3. My mother / go shopping / with / friends / in / park.
→
4. Lan / cook / chicken noodles / dinner.
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5. Nam / I / study / hard / last weekend.
→
6. My father / play / golf / yesterday.
→
7. Last night, / Phong / listen / music / for two hours.
→
8. They / have / nice / weekend.
→
9. She / go / supermarket yesterday.
→
10. We / not go / school last week.
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SIMPLE PAST TENSE- REGULAR

A) Write the Past Simple form of the verbs

- 1) Play
- 2) Walk
- 3) Watch
- 4) Listen
- 5) Wait
- 6) Check
- 7) Ask
- 8) Want
- 9) Call
- 10) Deliver
- 11) Decide
- 12) Work

- 13) Warn
- 14) Wash
- 15) Try
- 16) Turn
- 17) Question
- 18) Observe
- 19) Need
- 20) Live
- 21) Laugh
- 22) Kill
- 23) Kiss
- 24) Invite

B) 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 mother prepare the dinner?
(+) -----
(-) -----
- 5) Did the cleaner finish cleaning?
(+) -----
(-) -----



C) Fill in the blanks with Simple Past Tense.

- 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)



D) Turn the sentences into negative or question.

- 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) Elisa called Sue to go out. (?) -----
- 7) John watched TV all the day. (?) -----
- 8) Alex washed the dishes. (?) -----
- 9) Dorothy invited me to her birthday party.
(-) -----
- 10) Julia cleaned the entire house this morning.
(?) -----



PAST SIMPLE

ed-endings:

Ed-endings have three different pronunciations:

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Match the sentences with the pictures. Then put the verbs into the right columns above.

1. He **waited** for his girlfriend to call.

2. I **loved** her so much.

3. I **opened** all my presents.

4. He **laughed** at the new student.

5. They **started** running.

6. He **finished** all his work.

7. He **invented** a time machine.

8. I **studied** hard for my exams.

9. He **jumped** up and down.

10. Mom, I **failed** my English test.

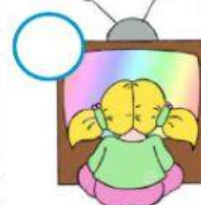
11. I **watched** TV all day.

12. He **climbed** a wall all by himself.

13. I **painted** this Easter egg.

14. She **kissed** him good-bye.

15. I **ended** the marathon last.



IRREGULAR VERBS

1. BE , DO		
Be	Was / Were	Been
Do	Did	Done
2. V1 = V2 = V3		
Hit	Hit	Hit
Hurt	Hurt	Hurt
Let	Let	Let
Put	Put	Put
Set	Set	Set
Spread	Spread	Spread
Fit	Fit	Fit
Quit	Quit	Quit
3. V1 ≠ V2 = V3		
Feed	Fed	Fed
Lead	Led	Led
Bleed	Bled	Bled
Hold	Held	Held
Tell	Told	Told
Sell	Sold	Sold
Get	Got	Got
Bring	Brought	Brought
Buy	Bought	Bought
Think	Thought	Thought
Teach	Taught	Taught
Catch	Caught	Caught
Feel	Felt	Felt
Say	Said	Said
Lay	Laid	Laid
Learn	Learnt Learned	Learnt Learned
Send	Sent	Sent
Spend	Spent	Spent
Build	Built	Built
Find	Found	Found
Keep	Kept	Kept
Sleep	Slept	Slept
Sit	Sat	Sat
Win	Won	Won

Shoot	Shot	Shot
Make	Made	Made
Hear	Heard	Heard
Have	Had	Had
Meet	Met	Met
Leave	Left	Left
Hang	Hung	Hung
Stand	Stood	Stood
Understand	Understood	understood
4. V1 = V3 ≠ V2		
Come	Came	Come
Become	Became	Become
Run	Ran	Run
5. I –A –U		
Begin	Began	Begun
Drink	Drank	Drunk
Sink	Sank	Sunk
Shrink	Shrank	Shrunk
Ring	Rang	Rung
Sing	Sang	Sung
Swim	Swam	Swum
6. V3_en/n/ne		
See	Saw	Seen
Eat	Ate	Eaten
Take	Took	Taken
Go	Went	gone
Write	Wrote	Written
Drive	Drove	Driven
Give	Gave	Given
Break	Broke	Broken
Speak	Spoke	Spoken
Fall	Fell	Fallen
Get	Got	Gotten
Forget	Forgot	Forgotten
Freeze	Froze	Frozen
Know	Knew	Known
Choose	Chose	Chosen