

## PAST SIMPLE

Eg: Tom played basketball with his friend yesterday.

His friends went to the field to play basketball with him.

Tom didn't want to go home.

Did Tom want to go home? – No, he didn't.

What did Tom do yesterday?

Positive		
I		regular verbs <b>V + ed</b>
You		
We		
They	V-ed.	
He		
She		irregular verbs (no rules)
It		
...		

Negative		
I		
You		
We		
They		didn't
He		
She		
It		V.
...		

Yes/no question		
Did	S	V?

WH- question			
WH-	did	S	V?

**Exercise 1:** Write the past simple form of the following verbs.

V	V-ed
be	
start	
finish	
watch	
wash	
play	
study	
cry	
stop	
travel	
visit	
phone	
hate	
bake	

V	V-ed
go	
write	
swim	
have	
hear	
forget	
drink	
eat	
make	
drive	
cut	
sleep	
find	
run	

**Exercise 2:** Complete the sentences with verbs in past simple tense.

1. I (eat) \_\_\_\_\_ dinner at six o'clock yesterday.
2. A: \_\_\_\_\_ Helen (drive) \_\_\_\_\_ to work? B: Yes, she \_\_\_\_\_.
3. My neighbor (buy) \_\_\_\_\_ a new car last week.
4. They (go) \_\_\_\_\_ to Italy on their last summer holiday.
5. A: \_\_\_\_\_ they (swim) \_\_\_\_\_ at the beach? B: No, they \_\_\_\_\_.
6. My family and I (see) \_\_\_\_\_ a comedy movie last night.
7. First, we (do) \_\_\_\_\_ exercise, and then we (drink) \_\_\_\_\_ some water.
8. Suddenly, the animal jumped and (bite) \_\_\_\_\_ my hand.

9. What time (do) ..... you (get up) ..... this morning?

10. The Wright brothers (fly) ..... the first airplane in 1903.

11. I think I (hear) ..... a strange sound outside the door one minute ago.

12. When I was ten years old, I (break) ..... my arm. It really (hurt) .....

13. The police (catch) ..... all three of the bank robbers last week.

14. How many times (do) ..... you (read) ..... that book?

15. Unfortunately, I (forget) ..... to (bring) ..... my money.

**Exercise 3: Complete the sentences with the verbs below in past simple.**

walk    enjoy    like    wash    travel    finish    listen    study

1- Lucy ..... her birthday presents.

2- Last weekend I ..... in the mountains for 2 hours.

3- We ..... the party very much.

4- Ken ..... to his favourite CD yesterday.

5- My sister ..... Maths for an exam.

6- They ..... to the USA in 2003.

7- Dad ..... his car last weekend.

8- The film ..... at 11:30.



**Exercise 4: Complete the sentences. Use the negative form of the underlined verbs.**

**Yesterday ...**

- I drank coffee but I ..... tea.
- She found her purse but she ..... her keys.
- The children broke the window but they ..... the door.
- He had a shower but he ..... breakfast.
- My father made a cake but he ..... any pastries.
- We spoke English and French but we ..... German.

**Exercise 5: Complete the sentences with the positive, negative or question form.**

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?

**Exercise 6: Complete the text about Mary. Use the past simple tense.**

Last summer holiday Mary ..... (go) to Miami

with her  . She ..... (be) very excited

before the journey because it ..... (be) the first

time she ..... (travel) by .



They ..... (stay) at a  near the sea. The weather ..... (be) sunny and

very hot. In the morning they usually ..... (go) to the .

Mary likes  and the children love .

So Mary and Mum ..... (sunbathe) and the children ..... (play) with

the ball and ..... (make) sandcastles. Dad ..... (swim) in the sea and

..... (read) the  under the umbrella. We usually ..... (have) lunch in

a  near the beach. In the afternoon they ..... (visit) very interesting

places. One day They ..... (go) out in a  . It ..... (be) amazing!

They ..... (like) the  best. They ..... (see) different  .

some  and even a  ..... (jump) in front of the boat. They also

..... (watch) some people feed the fish. Mary ..... (take) a lot of .

The family ..... (enjoy) a lot.

The last day it ..... (rain). The whole family ..... (go) to a shopping centre.

They ..... (buy) some souvenirs. In the afternoon they ..... (return)

home. Mary and her family ..... (have) a great time there !!!

**Exercise 7: Complete the gaps with an irregular verb in the past simple tense. Choose from the list below. You may need to use some verbs MORE THAN ONCE.**

**be, break, buy, come, drive, eat, feel, find, get, give, go, have, hear, hold,  
know, let, lose, make, put, read, ring, run, say, sleep, take, think, tell, write**

Dear Oséias

I'm writing to tell you about something that happened yesterday.



I \_\_\_\_\_ up at the usual time – about 10 am –  
\_\_\_\_\_ a shower and\_\_\_\_\_ breakfast. I  
\_\_\_\_\_ a big bowl of cereal and some toast and  
watched TV for a while. Then I \_\_\_\_\_ into the  
kitchen where I \_\_\_\_\_ a funny noise.

I \_\_\_\_\_ it \_\_\_\_\_ from behind the cooker. I  
\_\_\_\_\_ my tool box and moved the cooker out of  
the way. The noise \_\_\_\_\_ louder but I couldn't see  
anything. I \_\_\_\_\_ my uncle to ask his advice.  
He \_\_\_\_\_ that he \_\_\_\_\_ it could be a gas leak.  
When I \_\_\_\_\_ this I just panicked! I \_\_\_\_\_  
the phone down, \_\_\_\_\_ outside, \_\_\_\_\_ in  
my car and\_\_\_\_\_ to the local police station. I \_\_\_\_\_ them about my gas leak but  
the constable \_\_\_\_\_ his patience with me. He \_\_\_\_\_ that I should have phoned  
the gas company. He \_\_\_\_\_ his report, then\_\_\_\_\_ the gas company for me. Then  
I remembered that my house doesn't have gas – only electricity! I \_\_\_\_\_ really stupid  
and\_\_\_\_\_ that the constable would be angry with me for wasting his time, so  
I \_\_\_\_\_ out of the police station while he\_\_\_\_\_ still on the phone. I \_\_\_\_\_  
home to try to find out what the noise\_\_\_\_\_.

On the way I\_\_\_\_\_ a newspaper and I\_\_\_\_\_ about an escaped llama that  
\_\_\_\_\_ out of the city safari park last Wednesday. When I\_\_\_\_\_ home  
I\_\_\_\_\_ my key in the door, turned it, \_\_\_\_\_ inside and straight away\_\_\_\_\_  
that funny noise again. I\_\_\_\_\_ my breath and opened the door slowly. Guess what?  
I\_\_\_\_\_ the llama hiding in my cupboard! I\_\_\_\_\_ him stay and he\_\_\_\_\_ in  
my garden last night. The snoring \_\_\_\_\_ so loud! This morning I\_\_\_\_\_ him back  
to the safari park. They \_\_\_\_\_ really pleased to see him again and \_\_\_\_\_ me a  
reward of £50! Hope you are well. Write soon and let me know how you are.

Your friend,  
Jason.