

PAST SIMPLE TENSE

'TO BE' VERBS

VERBS

+ve

Subject + was/ were
They were friends.
Mereka adalah kawan.

Subject + V (Past Form)
He **worked** yesterday.
Dia berkerja semalam.

-ve

S + was not / were not + ...
They weren't friends.
Mereka adalah bukan kawan.

S + did not + verb (base form)
He **didn't work** yesterday.
Mereka tidak berkerja semalam.

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Was / were + Subject + ... ?
Were they friends ?
Adakah mereka kawan ?

Did + S + verb (base form) + ... ?
Did he work yesterday?
Adakah dia berkerja semalam?

Usage

Example

To express completed action in the past.
Untuk menyatakan sesuatu perbuatan / kejadian yang telah berlaku dahulu.

I **saw** a ghost last Friday.
Saya **nampak** satu hantu pada hari Jumaat lepas.

To describe a series of completed actions in the past.
Untuk menerangkan beberapa perbuatan / kelakuan yang telah berlaku dahulu.

I **finished** work, **walked** to mall and **found** a nice cafe to have coffee.
Setelah saya **habis** kerja, saya **berjalan** ke pasaraya dan **terjumpa** kedai cantik ini untuk minum kopi.

To express habits in the past.
Untuk menyatakan tabiat / perbuatan kebiasaan yang telah berlaku dahulu.

When I **was** young, I **played** badminton every evening.
Pada masa saya (**keadaan**) muda dahulu, saya **main** badminton setiap

For stative verbs have (own), think (believe), be, owe, need, wish, know, dislike.
Bagi kata kerja 'stative' (idea/pendapat) seperti have (own), think (fahaman), 'be' (ia), own (punya), need (perlu), wish (kehendak), know (tahu), dislike (benci).

- 1) He **had** a small hut.
*Dia **ada** (**mempunyai**) sebuah pondok kecil.*
- 2) I **wished** I **was** a millionaire.
*Saya **harap** saya **adalah** seorang jutawan.*

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