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Past Simple 1 • Present Simple revision
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Then and now

Past Simple 1

1 Regular verbs



Match a line in A with a line in B. Put the verb in A into the Present Simple and the verb in B into the Past Simple.

A

- 1 I usually *work* (work) eight hours a day, but ...
- 2 Ann usually _____ (drive) to work, but ...
- 3 Max usually _____ (watch) TV in the evenings, but ...
- 4 Ann and Max usually _____ (go) sailing at weekends, but ...
- 5 It usually _____ (rain) a lot in winter, but ...
- 6 Max and I usually _____ (go) camping in August, but ...

B

- a last summer we _____ (stay) in a hotel.
- b last weekend they _____ (play) tennis.
- c yesterday I *started* (start) work at 9.00 a.m. and _____ (finish) at 9.00 p.m.
- d last year it _____ (snow) for three months.
- e yesterday she _____ (walk).
- f yesterday evening he _____ (listen) to music.

2 Yes/No questions and short answers

Write questions and answers about the people in exercise 1.

- 1 **A** Do you usually work eight hours a day?
B Yes, *I do*.
- A** Did *you work eight hours yesterday* ?
B No, *I didn't. I worked twelve hours* .
- 2 **A** Does Ann usually drive to work?
B Yes, _____ .
A Did she _____ yesterday?
B No, _____ .
- 3 **A** Does Max usually watch TV in the evenings?
B Yes, _____ .
A Did he _____ yesterday evening?
B No, _____ .
- 4 **A** Do Ann and Max usually go sailing at weekends?
B _____ .
A _____ ?
B _____ .
- 5 **A** Does it usually rain a lot in winter?
B _____ .
A _____ ?
B _____ .
- 6 **A** Do you and Max usually go camping in August?
B Yes, we _____ .
A _____ ?
B _____ .

3 *had/did, was/were*

Complete the conversation with *had, did, was, or were*.

A It _____ my birthday yesterday. I'm twenty-five!

B Really? What _____ you do?

A Well, I _____ dinner with friends in an Italian restaurant.

B What _____ you eat?

A We all _____ pizzas. They _____ very good.

B _____ you enjoy your birthday, then?

A Mmm. It _____ excellent! When's your birthday?

B Today.

A Oh, no! Happy birthday!



4 Irregular verbs

T 7.1 Complete the table with the verbs in the box. Write the Past Simple forms.

| | | | | | | |
|-------|-------|--------|-------|-------|-------|------|
| begin | start | visit | write | leave | lose | buy |
| do | see | enjoy | go | take | paint | have |
| drive | speak | travel | come | stay | meet | |

| Regular verbs | | Irregular verbs | |
|---------------|----------------|-----------------|--------------|
| Infinitive | Past Simple | Infinitive | Past Simple |
| <i>start</i> | <i>started</i> | <i>begin</i> | <i>began</i> |
| _____ | _____ | _____ | _____ |
| _____ | _____ | _____ | _____ |
| _____ | _____ | _____ | _____ |
| _____ | _____ | _____ | _____ |
| _____ | _____ | _____ | _____ |
| _____ | _____ | _____ | _____ |
| _____ | _____ | _____ | _____ |
| _____ | _____ | _____ | _____ |

5 Negatives and positives

T 7.2 Complete the sentences with the positive form of the verb.

- I didn't go to New York, I *went* to Chicago.
- We didn't meet Jim, we _____ Max.
- He didn't leave last Tuesday, he _____ last Thursday.
- We didn't see Jim, we _____ David.
- They didn't buy a Volvo, they _____ a Saab.
- You didn't know the answer, Tom _____ the answer.
- I didn't lose my passport, I _____ my ticket.
- We didn't have white wine, we _____ red wine.
- He didn't write a letter, he _____ a postcard.
- The film didn't begin at 6.30 p.m., it _____ at 7.30 p.m.

6 Making questions

Put the words in the correct order to make questions. Then write true answers.

- school / did / when / start / you / ?
When did you start school?
When I was six. In 1985.
- morning / you / time / get / up / what / this / did / ?

- dinner / night / have / what / you / last / for / did / ?

- did / train / last / you / by / when / travel / ?

- do / what / Sunday / you / last / did / ?

- holiday / did / summer / on / go / where / last / you / ?

- visit / you / art / gallery / an / last / did / when / ?

- come / today / you / how / school / did / to / ?

Present Simple and Past Simple

7 A biography

1 Complete the text using the correct tense and form of the verbs on the right.

My Aunt Nancy



My Aunt Nancy was born in England, but now she (1) lives in Perth, Australia. She (2) went to Australia in 1985 when her husband, my Uncle Jack, (3) _____.

She is 80 years old now, but she still (4) _____. She is an artist. She (5) _____ pictures of cats for birthday cards. She (6) _____ cats — she (7) _____ twenty-five!

She (8) _____ painting in 1986. At first she (9) _____ just for a hobby, but then in 1989 she began making and selling birthday cards. A lot of people (10) _____ them and (11) _____ them.

She usually (12) _____ work at 7.00 in the morning and (13) _____ at 5.00 in the evening. Then she (14) _____ swimming.

Last year I (15) _____ Australia and I (16) _____ with her for two weeks. I (17) _____ a very good holiday.

go
die
live

love
work
have
paint

paint
start
like
buy

finish
go
start

have
visit
stay

2 **T 7.3** Write short answers to the questions.

1 Was Aunt Nancy born in Australia?
No, she wasn't.

2 Did she go to Australia in 1985?
Yes, she did.

3 Did Uncle Jack die in 1985?

4 Is Aunt Nancy 90 years old?

5 Does she still work?

6 Does she have fifty cats?

7 Did she start painting in 1986?

8 Did she start selling birthday cards in 1987?

9 Does she usually work ten hours a day?

10 Does she usually go shopping after work?

3 Write questions for these answers.

1 Where was Aunt Nancy born?

In England.

2 _____

In Perth, Australia.

3 _____

She went there in 1985.

4 _____

She's an artist.

5 _____

In 1986.

6 _____

Because she loves them — she has twenty-five!

7 _____

About ten, usually.

Vocabulary

8 Parts of speech

- 1 Write the correct part of speech next to each word in the box.
n = noun *v* = verb *adj* = adjective *prep* = preposition

| | | | |
|-----------------|-----------|-------------|----------|
| <i>adj</i> nice | ___ enjoy | ___ holiday | ___ new |
| ___ party | ___ in | ___ see | ___ warm |
| ___ famous | ___ near | ___ earn | ___ win |
| ___ postman | ___ on | ___ relax | |

- 2 Complete the sentences with a word from 1. Change the verb forms if necessary.
- 1 My aunt lives in a (*adj*) nice, old house (*prep*) near the sea.
 - 2 Did you (*v*) _____ Frank's (*adj*) _____ car this morning? It's red.
 - 3 I play tennis with her (*prep*) _____ Sundays and she always (*v*) _____.
 - 4 I (*v*) _____ and watched television yesterday evening. It was so (*adj*) _____ in front of the fire.
 - 5 I saw a (*adj*) _____ film star at Peter's (*n*) _____.
 - 6 He worked as a (*n*) _____ until he died, and he only (*v*) _____ £10,000 a year.
 - 7 They had a (*n*) _____ (*prep*) _____ Spain and they (*v*) _____ it very much.

Prepositions

9 *about, after, for*

Complete the sentences with a preposition from the box.

| | | | | | | | |
|-------|-------|-----|----|----|------|------|----|
| about | after | for | in | to | over | with | at |
|-------|-------|-----|----|----|------|------|----|

- 1 My family left London and moved _____ a small village.
- 2 People all _____ the world speak English.
- 3 Did you speak _____ the teacher _____ the homework?
- 4 What do you know _____ George Washington?
- 5 Peter stayed _____ his grandmother _____ Christmas.
- 6 I often think _____ the day we met.
- 7 New Year's Day is one week _____ Christmas Day.
- 8 We arrived _____ the airport _____ New York _____ 5.45 a.m.
- 9 Here's the postman _____ a letter _____ you.
- 10 Speak _____ me in English. It's good practice _____ us.

Writing

10 Describing a holiday

- 1 Read the information about Jim and Alison. Make notes about your last holiday.



