

Past Simple

Regular Verbs



SPELLING RULES:

-ed

walk - walked
talk - talked
answer - answered

→ -e -d

Dance - danced
Like - liked
Arrive - arrived

Consonant + y → -ied

study - studied
tidy - tidied
carry - carried

vowel + y → -yed

play - played
enjoy - enjoyed
stay - stayed

A

Write the past simple of the following verbs in the right place.

close finish like open prepare touch try want
stay enjoy cook plan admit trace ask type
play

Verb + -ed

Verb + -d

Vowel + y + -ed

Consonant + y + ied

B

Fill in the blanks with the past simple of the verbs in brackets.

- Janet _____ (watch) a film on TV.
- The girl _____ (finish) her homework.
- The car _____ (stop) in the middle of the street.
- The children _____ (visit) the museum.
- Helen _____ (wash) her hair with a new shampoo.
- My friends _____ (notice) my new dress.

- Yesterday I _____ (wait) for you for an hour.
- My mother _____ (divide) the cake in six.
- A friend of mine _____ (receive) a weird e-mail.
- I _____ (talk) to John on the phone.
- Last weekend I _____ (dance) with Jim.
- Karen and Sara _____ (play) computer games.

AFFIRMATIVE

General rule: add -ed

NEGATIVE

didn't + infinitive (of the
main verb)

INTERROGATIVE

did + subject + infinitive
(of the main verb)

C

Fill in the gaps with the Past Simple (negative) of the verbs in brackets.

1. David _____ (not / watch) the film in the cinema.
2. Carol _____ (not / appear) for the party.
3. Peter _____ (not / close) the door when he entered.
4. The jewels _____ (not / disappear).
5. I _____ (not / wait) for you because I was in a hurry.
6. The students _____ (not / identify) the subject in the sentence.
7. Caroline _____ (not / like) to be disturbed.

**D**

Now use the interrogative form of the past simple.

1. _____ (Caroline / like) to be disturbed?
2. _____ (Mum / cook) dinner yesterday?
3. _____ (the pupil / ask) any question?
4. _____ (you / visit) the museum last weekend?
5. _____ (Charles / arrive) early last night?
6. _____ (the secretary / cancel) the meeting?
7. _____ (Mrs. Clark / water) the plants?





Rewrite the sentences both in the negative and interrogative forms.

1. I walked to school.

NEG.

INT.

2. The car stopped at the traffic lights.

NEG.

INT.

3. I talked to Andrew.

NEG.

INT.

4. The boys played chess.

NEG.

INT.

C. Odd man out.

1. listened – ordered – did

2. waited – stop – helped

3. opened – closed – call

4. goed – entered – washed

5. watched – solved – runned

6. liked – hated – love

7. went – ignored – brushed

8. showed – sold – missed

9. is – was – were

10. celebrated – hoped – wish

D. True or False (past simple)

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| 1. I call my friend yesterday. | ☐ | ☐ |
| 2. The students studyed hard. | ☐ | ☐ |
| 3. We waited for the bus. | ☐ | ☐ |
| 4. The cleand the house. | ☐ | ☐ |
| 5. My sister plaied football. | ☐ | ☐ |
| 6. Arthur waterd the flowers. | ☐ | ☐ |
| 7. Merlin helped Arthur. | ☐ | ☐ |
| 8. We rested under a tree. | ☐ | ☐ |
| 9. My mother cookd fish. | ☐ | ☐ |
| 10. They solved the questions. | ☐ | ☐ |