

Past Simple

2. Uses

Read the example sentences and choose the correct option from the box:

- Garfield **worked** as a firefighter *seven years ago*.
- He **wore** a uniform at work *in 2012*.

USE 1: We use Past Simple for actions that are **finished / not finished** in the past.

- Garfield **worked** as a firefighter, then he worked as a waiter and after that he **quit** his job.
- First Garfield **bought** a car, then he **travelled** to the USA and finally, he **moved** in with John, his master.

USE 2: We use Past Simple for a series of **completed / incomplete** actions in the past.

3. Form

Look at the examples and complete the table with the correct form of the verbs **work** and **wear**.

Did you wear a uniform? Yes, I did.		He wore different clothes for the places he worked in.	
What did you do ? I worked in a sports centre.		He didn't wear a hat, though.	
Positive		Negative	
Regular verbs I/You/He/She/It/We/They in a shop.		Regular Verbs I/You/He/She/It/We/They in a shop.	
Irregular verbs I/You/He/She/It/We/They a uniform.		Irregular verbs I/You/He/She/It/We/They a uniform.	
Yes/No questions		Short answers	
..... I/you/he/she/it/we/they in a shop?		Yes, I/you/he/she/it/we/they	
..... I/you/he/she/it/we/they a uniform?		No, I/you/he/she/it/we/they	
Information questions			
Regular verbs		Where I/you/he/she/it/we/they	
Irregular verbs		What I/you/he/she/it/we/they for work?	
Choose the correct word from the box to complete the rule:			
We always add -ed to regular / irregular verbs in the positive form of the Past Simple.			

4. Spelling Rules

Fill in the table with the Past Simple form of the following verbs:

Verbs ending in a...			
1. verb ending in -e + d	2. vowel + y	3. consonant + y	4. l
close → closed phone → die →	play → played show → destroy →	marry → married carry → study →	travel → travelled cancel → marvel →
Special cases:			
stop → stopped BUT open → opened swap → swapped offer → offered			

5. Tricks

Fill in the missing letters to discover some signal words:

y_ste_day this mo_ning 3 days a_o a mo_th ago l_st week _n 2010