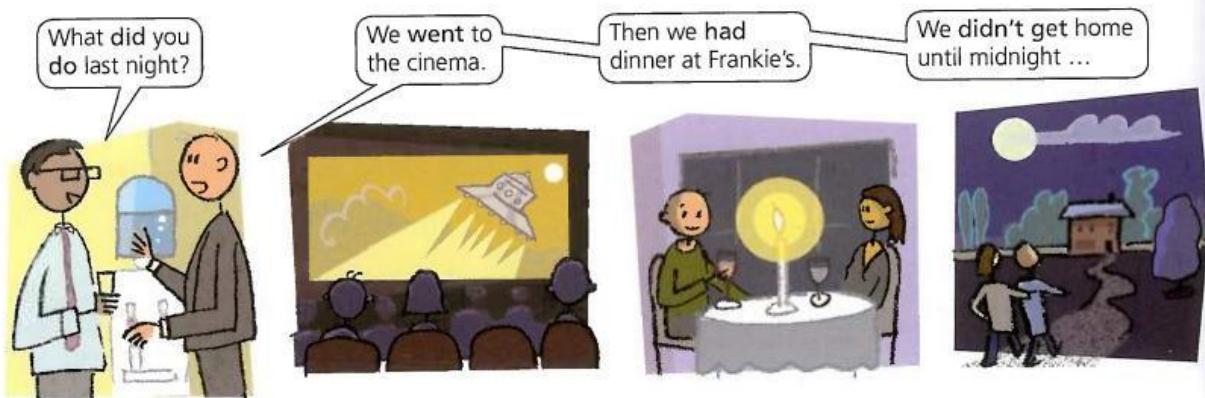


46 Past simple (2)



1 Form

NEGATIVE	Yes / No QUESTIONS			SHORT ANSWERS
I/He/She/It/We/You/They did not (didn't) arrive.	Did I/he/she/it/we/you/they arrive?			Yes, I/he/she/it/we/you/they did. No, I/he/she/it/we/you/they didn't.
WH- QUESTIONS				
What	did	you	do	on Saturday?
Where	did	you	go	for dinner?
How much	did	the meal	cost?	



✗ ~~What you did on Saturday?~~
✓ *What did you do on Saturday?*

2 Use

We use the past simple

- when one thing happens after another in the past:
We arrived at the airport at eleven o'clock and took a taxi to the hotel.
Then we went to the café and had a drink, but we didn't eat anything.
- to talk about a situation that finished in the past:
I lived with my grandparents last summer.
Did men have long hair in the 1960s?
MP3 players didn't exist when I was a child.

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3 Words we use with the past simple

- We use *then* to say that one action happened after another one:
'I finished school in 2006. Then I went to university.'
'And what did you do then?' (after university)
- We use *from ... to* to say when a past situation started and finished:
James Dean lived from 1931 to 1955.
I waited for you from eight o'clock to half past nine!
- We use *for + ten minutes, two hours, a week, etc.* to say how long a past situation lasted:
Daniela stayed with her cousins for two weeks last summer.

Practice

1 Use the words below to write questions and short answers.

0 die / President Kennedy / 1963 ? (✓) *Did President Kennedy die in 1963? Yes, he did.*

1 fly / Neil Armstrong / to Mars ? (✗)

2 win / Tony Curtis / an Oscar ? (✗)

3 invent / Alexander Graham Bell / the telephone ? (✓)

4 paint / Michelangelo / the *Mona Lisa* ? (✗)

5 write / Ian Fleming / the James Bond books ? (✓)

6 exist / computers / in the 1990s ? (✓)

2 GRAMMAR IN USE There are five more mistakes in the conversation. Find and correct them.

TOM Did you ^{go} ~~went~~ to the cinema yesterday?

SILVIA Yes, we do.

TOM What did you saw?

SILVIA We didn't saw anything.

TOM What do you mean?

SILVIA Well. There was a queue when we got to the cinema, so we don't wait.

TOM So, what did you done?

SILVIA We went to Video City and rented a DVD.

3 GRAMMAR IN USE Look at the pictures. Then describe what Janice did yesterday evening. Use the words and phrases in the box with the verbs in the past simple.

brush her teeth go home on the bus go to bed at have a shower
make a snack send some emails watch television from and then then



Janice went home on the bus at six o'clock. She