

# PAST SIMPLE – PAST CONTINUOUS – PAST PERFECT

	AFFIRMATIVE	NEGATIVE	QUESTION
<b>PAST SIMPLE</b> Actions that happened and finished in the past (yesterday, last week, in 2010..., WHEN)	I <b>played</b> football You <b>played</b> football We <b>played</b> football They <b>played</b> football He <b>played</b> football She <b>played</b> football It <b>played</b> football	I <b>didn't</b> play football You <b>didn't</b> play football We <b>didn't</b> play football They <b>didn't</b> play football He <b>didn't</b> play football She <b>didn't</b> play football It <b>didn't</b> play football	Did I <b>play</b> football? Did you <b>play</b> football? Did we <b>play</b> football? Did they <b>play</b> football? Did he <b>play</b> football? Did she <b>play</b> football? Did it <b>play</b> football?
<b>PAST CONTINUOUS</b> Actions taking place at a certain moment in the past (while, at 5 p.m., all day...)	I <b>was playing</b> football You <b>were playing</b> football We <b>were playing</b> football They <b>were playing</b> football He <b>was playing</b> football She <b>was playing</b> football It <b>was playing</b> football	I <b>wasn't</b> playing football You <b>weren't</b> playing football We <b>weren't</b> playing football They <b>weren't</b> playing football He <b>wasn't</b> playing football She <b>wasn't</b> playing football It <b>wasn't</b> playing football	Was I <b>playing</b> football? Were you <b>playing</b> football? Were we <b>playing</b> football? Were they <b>playing</b> football? Was he <b>playing</b> football? Was she <b>playing</b> football? Was it <b>playing</b> football?
<b>PAST PERFECT</b> Actions that happened before another action in the past (before, after, already, just, never...)	I <b>had played</b> football You <b>had played</b> football We <b>had played</b> football They <b>had played</b> football He <b>had played</b> football She <b>had played</b> football It <b>had played</b> football	I <b>hadn't played</b> football You <b>hadn't played</b> football We <b>hadn't played</b> football They <b>hadn't played</b> football He <b>hadn't played</b> football She <b>hadn't played</b> football It <b>hadn't played</b> football	Had I <b>played</b> football? Had you <b>played</b> football? Had we <b>played</b> football? Had they <b>played</b> football? Had he <b>played</b> football? Had she <b>played</b> football? Had it <b>played</b> football?

Fill in the gaps using the correct tense: past simple, past continuous or past perfect of the verbs in brackets.

- The scientist ..... (work) in the lab when the lights ..... (go) out.
- The dancer ..... (not injure) her foot, she ..... (hurt) her knee.
- ..... (the pilot / check) the weather forecast before the flight?
- They ..... (paint) the mural while music ..... (play) in the background.
- We ..... (just / finish) packing our bags when the taxi arrived.
- ..... (the nurse / help) a patient when you ..... (arrive)?
- I ..... (already / see) that art exhibition last month.
- The flight ..... (not leave) on time because of the storm.
- ..... (the volcano / erupt) before the people evacuated the town?
- She ..... (not wearing) a coat even though it ..... (snow).
- The musician ..... (always / practice) before concerts when he was young.
- ..... (they / study) science or history yesterday?
- He ..... (not clean) his lab equipment yet, so the teacher got angry.
- I ..... (break) my wrist last weekend while I ..... (skate).
- ..... (you / buy) your new boots at the airport shop?
- The painter ..... (finish) the portrait before the client arrived.
- We ..... (not listen) when the teacher ..... (explain) the lab rules.
- ..... (the storm / already / start) when you got home?
- She ..... (sing) her favorite song when the microphone ..... (break).
- The passengers ..... (not know) the flight was canceled.