PAST WITH IRREGULAR VERBS – GRAMMAR

7C past simple: irregular verbs

I **went** to Iceland in December. I **didn't go** to New York. 7.15
Did you **go** to a party? Who **did** you **go** with?

infinitive	past [+]	past [–]
buy	**bought**	**didn't buy**
come	**came**	**didn't come**
feel	**felt**	**didn't feel**
find	**found**	**didn't find**
get	**got**	**didn't get**
go	**went**	**didn't go**
have	**had**	**didn't have**
know	**knew**	**didn't know**
put on	**put on**	**didn't put on**
say	**said**	**didn't say**
take	**took**	**didn't take**
think	**thought**	**didn't think**
wear	**wore**	**didn't wear**

- Some verbs are irregular in the past [+] and change their form, e.g. *go* → *went*, *have* → *had*.
- We only use the irregular past form in [+] sentences.
  *I **bought** a bag last night.*
- We use the infinitive after *did / didn't*.
  ***Did** you **go** out last night?* **NOT** ~~*Did you went...?*~~
- Remember word order in questions: **ASI** (**A**uxiliary, **S**ubject, **I**nfinitive), e.g. *Did you go shopping yesterday?*
  QuASI (**Qu**estion word, **A**uxiliary, **S**ubject, **I**nfinitive), e.g. *Where did you go?*
  Look at the list of irregular verbs on p.165.

can / could

The past simple of *can* is *could*. We add *not* to make negatives and reverse the subject and verb to make questions.

[+] *We could see the whole city from the plane.*

[–] *I couldn't see him.* **NOT** ~~*I didn't can see him.*~~

[?] *Could you wear jeans when you were at school?*

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a Correct the information using the word in brackets.

She put on a coat. (jacket)
She didn't put on a coat. She put on a jacket.

1 She wore a red dress. (blue)
_____

2 I came home early. (late)
_____

3 We went by train. (bus)
_____

4 He said hello. (goodbye)
_____

5 You had a sandwich. (salad)
_____

6 He knew her surname. (first name)
_____

b Complete the text with the verbs in brackets in the past simple. All the verbs are irregular.

Last New Year's Eve I *went* (go) to London with some friends. We [1]_____ (have) dinner at a Chinese restaurant, and at 10.00 p.m. we [2]_____ (take) a taxi to Trafalgar Square. We [3]_____ (be) there for an hour, and then we [4]_____ (go) to the river. We [5]_____ (can) see the fireworks very well, and we [6]_____ (have) a great time. We [7]_____ (get) home at 4.00 a.m. We [8]_____ (feel) tired, but we [9]_____ (be) very happy!

c Complete the questions in the past simple.

A *Did you go out* last night?
B No, I stayed at home.

1 **A** What _____ yesterday?
B I wore jeans.

2 **A** Where _____ her shoes?
B She bought them in Paris.

3 **A** What time _____?
B We got home late.

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