

SIMPLE PAST (VERB TO BE AND REGULAR VERBS)

Explanation: Simple Past (Verb to be)

The verb **to be** in the past describes people, things, or situations **yesterday / last week / before now**.

Formulas:

- **Affirmative:** Subject + was/were + complement
 - I **was** happy yesterday. / They **were** at school last week.
- **Negative:** Subject + was/were + not + complement
 - I **was not** at home. / I **wasn't** at home.
 - They **were not** tired. / They **weren't** tired.
- **Interrogative:** Was/Were + subject + complement + ?
 - **Was** she at the party? / **Were** you late?

Let's Put It into Practice!

1. Conjugation Practice

Fill in the blanks with *was* or *were*.

- a) I _____ at the park yesterday.
- b) They _____ very tired after the trip.
- c) She _____ not happy with the movie.
- d) _____ you at home last night?
- e) The weather _____ cold last weekend.

2. Transform Sentences (Affirmative → Negative)

Example: She was at the party. → She wasn't at the party.

- a) I was late. → _____
- b) They were happy. → _____
- c) He was at school. → _____
- d) We were on holiday. → _____
- e) It was hot. → _____

3. Sentence Reordering

Put the words in the correct order.

For example: fine / she / yesterday / was → She was fine yesterday

- a) was / yesterday / park / the / at / she →

- b) you / late / were / last night / ?
→ _____
- c) my / book / not / was / on / desk / the
→ _____
- d) children / were / school / at
→ _____
- e) was / teacher / the / ? / kind →

Explanation: Simple Past (Regular Verbs)

Regular verbs in the past usually end with **-ed**. They talk about finished actions in the past.

Formulas:

- **Affirmative:** Subject + verb-ed + complement
 - She **played** football yesterday.
- **Negative:** Subject + did not (didn't) + base verb
 - She **did not play** football yesterday. / She **didn't play** football yesterday.
- **Interrogative:** Did + subject + base verb + ?
 - **Did** she **play** football yesterday?

Let's Put It into Practice!

1. Conjugation Practice

Complete with the correct form of the verb in the past.

For example:

Work

- + John **worked** at the office yesterday.
- = John **didn't work** at home yesterday.
- ? **Did** John **work** online yesterday?

a) Listen

- + Mary _____ to a song last night.
- = Mary _____ to the news last night.
- ? _____ Mary _____ to the radio?

b) Study

- + They _____ English last year.
- = They _____ French last year.
- ? _____ they _____ Spanish last year?

c) **Play**

+ He _____ football last weekend.

= He _____ basketball last weekend.

? _____ he _____ tennis last weekend?

d) **Visit**

+ I _____ my grandma last week.

= I _____ my uncle last week.

? _____ I _____ my cousin last week?

e) **Watch**

+ We _____ a movie two months ago.

= We _____ a series two months ago.

? _____ we _____ a cartoon three months ago?

2. Transform Sentences (Affirmative → Negative)

For example: She fixed the computer → She *didn't fix* the computer

a) She studied English. → _____

b) They worked yesterday. → _____

c) He played football. → _____

d) I watched TV. → _____

e) We cooked dinner. → _____

f) She visited her friend. → _____

g) You washed the car. → _____

h) He opened the window. → _____

i) They traveled last summer. → _____

j) I studied at night. → _____

3. Sentence Reordering

Put the words in the right order.

For example: computer / the / fixed / she → She fixed the computer

a) yesterday / English / studied / she →

b) watch / didn't / movie / we / a →

c) open / did / window / you / the / ? →

d) they / last / traveled / summer →

e) work / he / didn't / yesterday →

f) I / party / the / attend / not / did →

g) cooked / we / dinner →

h) play / football / he / did / ? →

i) studied / did / test / for / she / the / ? →

j) book / read / my / I →

4. Error Correction

Each sentence has a mistake in its verb. Rewrite the sentence correctly.

For example: She fixes the car yesterday → She *fixed* the car yesterday

a) She studyed English yesterday. →

b) They didn't played football. →

c) Did he plays tennis? →

d) I didn't watched TV. →

e) We cook dinner yesterday. →

f) He didn't went to school. →

g) They studieded for the exam. →

h) Did she visited her grandma? →

i) I not studied yesterday. →

j) He don't worked last week. → _____

Short Answers with Did

When someone asks you a Yes/No question with **did**, you usually answer with a short answer.

Examples:

- Did you watch TV yesterday? → *Yes, I did.* / *No, I didn't.*
- Did she study English last night? → *Yes, she did.* / *No, she didn't.*

REMEMBER: Don't just say "Yes" or "No." Use **did/didn't**!

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5. Closed Questions (Short Answers)

Answer with *Yes, I did* / *No, I didn't* / *Yes, she did* / *No, she didn't*, etc.

For example: *Did you play football yesterday?* → *Yes, I did.*

- a) Did you study English yesterday? → _____
- b) Did your teacher check the homework? → _____
- c) Did your parents cook dinner last night? → _____
- d) Did your best friend visit you last weekend? → _____
- e) Did we have class yesterday? → _____

Open Answers with Did

When you answer open questions, try to give **complete answers** (not just "yes" or "no").

Use the **subject + did + base verb + details**.

Examples:

- **Q:** What did your father do last weekend?
A: My father worked in the garden last weekend.

REMEMBER: Start with the subject (I, my father, my friends) + did + base verb + details.

Let's Put It into Practice!

6. Open Questions with Answer Starters

Answer in complete sentences. Use the first word(s) as your guide.

For example: *What did you watch yesterday?* → *I watched a movie yesterday.*

a) What did you play last weekend?

→ *I* _____

b) Where did your best friend travel last summer?

→ *My best* _____

c) What did you study yesterday?

→ *I* _____

d) Who did you call last night?

→ *I* _____

e) What music did your teacher listen to yesterday?

→ *My teacher* _____

f) What time did you start your homework?

→ *I* _____

g) What sport did you practice at school?

→ *I* _____

h) What did you cook for dinner last night?

→ *I* _____

i) Where did you walk yesterday?

→ *I* _____

j) Who did you help last week?

→ *I* _____