

# Recount Text

## Definition

A recount text is a text that tells about past experiences or events. Its purpose is to retell events in the order they happened, usually to inform or entertain the reader.

## Social Function

- To retell events from the past.
- To share experiences with others.
- To entertain or give information.

## Generic Structure

- Orientation → introduces background information (who, where, when).
- Events → tells what happened in chronological order.
- Re-orientation → closing statement, reflection, or comment about the events

## Language Features

- Use of past tense (went, saw, ate, visited).
- Use of action verbs (played, climbed, watched).
- Use of time connectors (first, then, after that, finally).
- Use of specific participants (my family, my friend, we).

## Example



This was my first experience going to Karimunjawa. It was so fun. I was so excited days before the trip. I went there with other winners from different schools. We had the holiday last month, from April 21st to April 22nd. We went there by ferry.

Karimunjawa is a group of islands located north of Java, around 83 kilometers from Jepara. There are two options if you want to get there. The first one is using a ferry, which costs 81,000 rupiah. It takes 1 hour 45 minutes. The other option is using a car ferry, which is cheaper, only 72,000 rupiah. However, it takes longer to get there, around 6 hours. The committee provided us the first option because it took less time.

We departed from Jepara in the morning so we could spend more time in the afternoon exploring the islands. Once we got there, we were taken straight to the hotel where we had lunch. The next thing to do was enjoying the sunset at Bukit Love Karimunjawa. It was amazing! As soon as the sky got darker, we went back to the hotel. We had dinner before we continued our activity. We explored the hotel premises.

The next day, we did other activities. We went snorkeling after we finished our breakfast. We had a chance to have our pictures taken with beautiful fish and coral reefs there. I also spent time swimming with sharks. It was both exciting and thrilling. We went back to the hotel once we finished all the activities. We packed before we left the islands.

Although it was a short holiday, we enjoyed ourselves. It was really fun.

Orientation

Events

Events

Re-orientation

**A. Change the verb in parentheses to the correct past tense (Verb 2) form.**

1. Last holiday, my school \_\_\_\_\_ (hold) an excursion to explore Labuan Bajo.
2. We \_\_\_\_\_ (enjoy) the sunrise there.
3. I \_\_\_\_\_ (learn) how to surf at Maluk Beach.
4. The writer \_\_\_\_\_ (feel) happy for the holiday.
5. They \_\_\_\_\_ (hike) for about 30 minutes to reach the peak

**B. Read the following text, then click True (T) or False (F) each statement based on the text**

Last weekend, my class had a study tour to the Bogor Botanical Garden. We departed from school at 7 AM by bus. First, we visited the Orchid House and saw many beautiful orchids. After that, we had lunch near the lake. We did not swim, but we took many photos. It was a very fun and educational trip. We went home at 3 PM.

No.	Statements	Answer
1.	The writer went to the Bogor Botanical Garden last month.	T / F
2.	They went there by car.	T / F
3.	They ate lunch after they visited the Orchid House.	T / F
4.	The writer swam in the lake.	T / F
5.	The trip was fun for the writer.	T / F

**C. Match the words with the translation in Indonesia**

Departed

Mendebarkan

Arrived

Tiba

Harbor

Berangkat

Explored

Pelabuhan

Thrilling

Menjelajahi