

- 1 Look at the examples in the table and complete the rules with *did* and *didn't*.

Negatives	Questions	Short answers
He didn't use buses or planes. I didn't even have time to get a drink of water.	Why did Daniel do this? Did he enjoy it?	Yes, he did No, he didn't .

We use _____ and the main verb in the infinitive in negative sentences.

We use _____ and the main verb in the infinitive in questions.

We use _____ or _____ and leave out the main verb in short answers.

UNIT 6

PAST SIMPLE: NEGATIVES AND QUESTIONS



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Negative	I/You/He/She/It/We/They didn't (did not) finish.
Questions	Where did I/you/he/she/it/we/they cook? Did I/you/he/she/it/we/they work in a shop?
Short answers	Yes, I/you/he/she/it/we/they did . No, I/you/he/she/it/we/they didn't .

- We use the **past simple negative** to talk about things that didn't happen in the past.
*The café **didn't** open at eight o'clock.*
*We **didn't** watch a film in class.*
- We use **past simple questions** to ask about things that happened in the past.
*What time **did** he finish work?*
***Did** you listen to music last night?*
- We use **short answers** to answer simple Yes / No questions.
*Yes, I **did**.*

Practice

- 1 Complete the sentences with the past simple negative form of the underlined verbs.
- My dad played tennis. He didn't play volleyball.
 - We cooked fish. We _____ meat.
 - In the school holidays, my brother worked in a factory. He _____ in a shop.
 - I used my mobile to send a message. I _____ the computer.
 - My friends climbed a tree. They _____ a mountain.
 - I opened the window. I _____ the door.
- 2 Write true sentences about what you and the people you know didn't do yesterday. Use the words in brackets and the past simple negative form of the verbs.
- (I / watch)
*I **didn't** watch a film on TV yesterday.*
 - (my mum / listen)
 - (my classmates / walk)
 - (I / study)
 - (my friends and I / play)
 - (this class / start)

3 Write complete questions in the past simple. Then write short answers.

0 Did you cook dinner yesterday?

No, I didn't.

1 _____ your sister _____ (help) you with your homework?

Yes, _____.

2 _____ your friends _____ (finish) all the biscuits?

Yes, _____.

3 _____ this class _____ (start) at 10 am?

No, _____.

4 _____ you _____ (enjoy) the party?

Yes, _____.

5 _____ it _____ (rain) yesterday?

No, _____.

4 Put the words in order to make questions. Then write answers that are true for you.

0 you / walk / this / did / school / to / morning / ?

Did you walk to school this morning?

Yes, I did.

1 start / what / you / did / time / school / ?

2 use / did / a / you / computer / last night / ?

3 study / yesterday / you / did / what / ?

4 visit / country / holiday / you / did / another / on / ?

5 when / you / finish / Unit 5 / did / ?

2 Match the questions to the answers.

1 How many states did Daniel visit?

2 How did Daniel travel from job to job?

3 Why did Daniel stay in people's homes?

4 Did Daniel like being a farmer in Nebraska?

5 Did Daniel work at a theme park in Florida?

6 What did Daniel do in Alaska?

a Because hotels were too expensive.

b He worked as a photographer.

c 50

d By car.

e No, he didn't.

f Yes, he did.

3 Tick (✓) the sentences that are true for you. Correct the ones that are wrong.

- 0 I travelled to school by bus today.
I didn't travel to school by bus today. I walked to school.
- 1 I finished my homework at 6 pm last night.
- 2 I cooked the dinner on Saturday.
- 3 I texted ten friends yesterday.
- 4 I painted a picture last week.
- 5 I climbed a mountain during my last holiday.
- 6 I watched a film on TV last night.

4 Find and correct the mistakes with the past simple.

-  1 Did you enjoyed yourself on holiday?
- 2 Tom don't talk to me for very long at the party.
- 3 I didn't finished the history homework before the lesson.
- 4 I really don't want to go to my dancing class yesterday.
- 5 Did you remembered my birthday?

5 Make questions. Then ask and answer with a partner.

- 0 What / learn about in the last lesson?
What did you learn about in the last lesson?
- 1 /play any sport last week?
- 2 /visit anywhere interesting last month?
- 3 Which school clubs / join last year?
- 4 /answer a question in your last lesson?
- 5 What date / start school this year?
- 6 When / last travel to another country?