**2.b. The Past Simple with Regular and Irregular Verbs**

**Regular verbs**

AFFIRMATIVE 🡺 Subject + verb + -ed

They watched TV yesterday

N E G A T I V E 🡺 Subject + didn’t + verb

They didn’t watch TV yesterday

INTERROGATIVE 🡺 Did + subject + verb ?

Did they play football last Sunday?

***Spelling Rules for Regular Verbs : -ED***

1. Verbs that end in -e : add -d only

live - lived / phone - phoned

2. Verbs that end in a consonant + -y: change the -y to -i and add -ed

study - studied

3. Verbs that end in one vowel and one consonant: double the final consonant and add -ed

stop - stopped

4. Verbs that end in a vowel + consonant: add -ed

Play – played

5. Verbs of two or more syllables ending in one vowel + one consonant: double the final consonant if the final syllable is stressed.

Refer – referred

6. Verbs that end in -l: always double the -l

Travel - travelled

**Irregular verbs**

1. Many important verbs are irregular. We do not use -ed to form the past simple.

I bought a book

He ate a hamburger

2. We form the NEGATIVE AND INTERROGATIVE in the same way as regular verbs.

I didn’t buy a book

He didn’t eat a hamburger

***Here is the list of 50 most common irregular verbs:***

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| --- | --- | --- |
| **Rank** | **Base Form** | **Past Tense Form** |
| 1 | say | said |
| 2 | make | made |
| 3 | go | went |
| 4 | take | took |
| 5 | come | came |
| 6 | see | saw |
| 7 | know | knew |
| 8 | get | got |
| 9 | give | gave |
| 10 | find | found |
| 11 | think | thought |
| 12 | tell | told |
| 13 | become | became |
| 14 | show | showed |
| 15 | leave | left |
| 16 | feel | felt |
| 17 | put | put |
| 18 | bring | brought |
| 19 | begin | began |
| 20 | keep | kept |
| 21 | hold | held |
| 22 | write | wrote |
| 23 | stand | stood |
| 24 | hear | heard |
| 25 | let | let |
| 26 | mean | meant |
| 27 | set | set |
| 28 | meet | met |
| 29 | run | ran |
| 30 | pay | paid |
| 31 | sit | sat |
| 32 | speak | spoke |
| 33 | lie | lay |
| 34 | lead | led |
| 35 | read | read |
| 36 | grow | grew |
| 37 | lose | lost |
| 38 | fall | fell |
| 39 | send | sent |
| 40 | build | built |
| 41 | understand | understood |
| 42 | draw | drew |
| 43 | break | broke |
| 44 | spend | spent |
| 45 | cut | cut |
| 46 | rise | rose |
| 47 | drive | drove |
| 48 | buy | bought |
| 49 | wear | wore |
| 50 | choose | chose |

**2.b. Exercises**

a. Complete the sentences with the verbs given in the parenthesis.

1. On Saturday I \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ (play) computer games with my cousins.

2. My mum \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ (not cook) dinner last night.

3. I \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ (walk) to school because there weren´t any buses.

4. They \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ (not dance) at the party.

5. My brother \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ (travel) to Ireland last summer.

**b. Write the past simple of these verbs.**

1. copy \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

2. revise \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

3. cycle \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

4. listen \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

5. practice \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

6. play \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

7. like \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

8. move \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

9. shout \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

10. start \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

**c. Write the questions in the correct order.**

Example:

night? / meet / Did / you / them / last /

Did you meet them last night?

1. film? / like / you / Did / the /

\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

2. you / many / did / ask? / How / people /

\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

3. a / have / time? / they / Did / good /

\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

4. did / weekend? / the / What / do / we / at /

\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

5. she / DVD? / Where / that / did / buy /

\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

6. party / on / your / go / Saturday? / he / Did / to /

\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

7. did / yesterday? / Who / you / see /

\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

**d. Correct the sentences**

Example:

Who **do** you **met** on Saturday morning? X

Who **did** you **meet** on Saturday morning?

1. Did he went to school yesterday? X

2. Why did you to go home early? X

3. Where you did learn English? X

4. Did she works today? X

5. What do you this yesterday? X

6. Did they last night phone you? X

**e. Complete the sentences with the past simple form of the verbs below.**

be– meet – have – go – run – drink – sleep – swim – eat

1. I \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ a shower and some fruit for breakfast.

2. Then I \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ to the sports centre.

3. I \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ 500 meters in the swimming pool and then

4. I \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ 5 kilometers.

5. At lunchtime I \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ my friends in a café.

6. We \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ some pasta and \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ some juice.

7. After lunch I \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ for a few hours, I \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ tired!

**3. Reading Comprehension**

**Read the text in the section 1.a (Jane’s Holiday) and answer the questions.**

|  |  |  |  |
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| **1** | **She went on holiday on** | **9** | **She did not like** |
|  | 15th May    5th May   25th May |  | the food   the coffee   the weather |
| **2** | **She stayed** | **10** | **She swam in the** |
|  | in a hotel   in a tent   in a motel   with friends |  | river   sea   swimming pool |
| **3** | **She saw many interesting** | **11** | **She spoke** |
|  | things   animals   films |  | English   Russian   Latvian |
| **4** | **She ate** | **12** | **She visited** |
|  | pasta   rice   potatoes |  | museums   monuments   galleries |
| **5** | **She liked** | **13** | **She met** |
|  | excursions   the weather   friendly people |  | many new people   her parents   her old school mate |
| **6** | **She bought** | **14** | **She lost her** |
|  | postcards   newspapers   new clothes |  | camera   credit card   passport |
| **7** | **She traveled around Spain by** | **15** | **On her way back the thief stole** |
|  | bus   plane   car |  | her camera   her purse   her baggage |
| **8** | **She had a one \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ holiday** | **16** | **Her\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ helped her** |
|  | day   week   month |  | parents   friends   children |

**4. Writing**

**Write about your summer holiday.**

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