



ENGLISH

Chapter 1 Session B

3rd
SECONDARY

TECHNOLOGY
Simple Past & Past Continuous Review



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Review: Simple Past

- 1** Read the sentences below. Circle the irregular verbs and underline the regular verbs.
 - a** When I passed my exams, my parents gave me a 21-inch smart TV.
 - b** I played a lot of video games when I was younger. They were addictive!
 - c** I didn't have a cell phone until I was twelve.
 - d** Did your parents give you anything special on your birthday? Was it nice?

- 2** Look at the charts below. Then complete the sentences that follow it.

<i>was / were</i> (Simple Past of <i>be</i>)	
+	I / He / She / It was great! We / You / They were twelve.
-	I / He / She / It wasn't popular. We / You / They weren't young.
?	Was I / he / she / it nice? Were we / you / they young?

Simple Past

	regular verbs	irregular verbs
+	I passed my exams.	They gave me a smart TV.
-	He didn't play computer games.	She didn't have a cell phone.
?	Did you save any money?	Did you get anything special on your birthday?

- a** The past forms of the verb *be* are _____ for I / he / she / it and _____ for we / you / they.
- b** *Was / wasn't* and *were / weren't* are used in affirmative, _____ and _____ sentences.
- c** *-ed* or *-d* are usually added to the base form of regular verbs in the _____ form.
- d** In questions and negative sentences, the auxiliary _____ is used to form the simple past tense.

3 Complete these questions with the simple past tense of the verbs in parentheses.

- a What _____ (be) early cell phones like?
- b What _____ Martin Cooper _____ (invent)?
- c _____ the portable phone _____ (need) to be powered through a car?
- d How long _____ it _____ (take) for it to be available to the public?
- e What _____ Motorola _____ (do)?
- f When _____ Apple _____ its first iPhone? (release)



4 Match the answers below with the questions in activity 3 and find out about the history of cell phones.

- ☐ He invented a portable hand-held phone.
- ☐ No, it didn't.
- ☐ It took ten years.
- ☐ In 2007.
- ☐ They were 'car phones' – two-way radios used by taxi drivers and emergency services.
- ☐ Motorola introduced the first public cell phone.

- 5** Complete the text with the simple past form of the verbs in parentheses.

The Worldwide Web

Thirty years ago, there a _____ (not be) a World Wide Web and there b _____ (not be) any social networking sites. By 1994, there c _____ (be) about a hundred important websites – today there are millions! The web d _____ (develop) when search engines such as Google e _____ (become) available and more people f _____ (get) high-speed broadband in their homes. Today, it is hard to imagine life without the web.



CULTURAL FACT

Top 3 countries with highest number of internet users:

1st - China (772,000,000)

2nd - India (462,124,989)

3rd - United States (312,322,257)

- 6 Ashley made a list of things to do yesterday. Look at the list and write sentences about what she did / didn't do.

She didn't send three emails.



- 7** Read the spelling rules for the simple past of regular verbs.
Complete the chart with the simple past of the verbs in the box.

download introduce play plug print scan store try


For most verbs, add *-ed*

For verbs that end in *e*, add *-d*:

For verbs that end in a consonant + *y*, preceded by a consonant, omit the *y* and add *-ied*:

For verbs that end in a vowel + *y*, just add *-ed*:

For verbs that end in a stressed vowel + a consonant (except *w*, *x* or *y*), double the final consonant and add *-ed*:

- 8  **INTERFACE** Work in pairs. Ask and answer questions about last weekend. Use the ideas in the box or your own ideas.

download a song go online print a document send an email surf the web
take a digital picture upload a series use Instagram

Did you download a song last Saturday?



Review: Simple Past

1 Underline the correct words.

The video clip was / **were** really boring.

- a Where **was** / **were** you last night?
- b Who **was** / **were** that girl at the internet café?
- c Adam and Layla **wasn't** / **weren't** pleased about the comments on their blog.
- d There **was** / **were** an amazing picture on that website.
- e My digital camera **wasn't** / **weren't** a birthday present.
- f **Was** / **Were** there a lot of free games on that site?

2 Complete the sentences with *was* or *were*.

How old were you in 2013?

- a Where _____ Andy's flash drive?
- b Where _____ you during the video conference?
- c I _____ annoyed with her about the pictures of me on Facebook.
- d There _____ a great blog about zombie movies by a French guy.
- e What _____ Kate's digital pictures like?

3 Correct the sentences. Write one negative and one affirmative sentence.

My video clips were on my digital camera. (X cell phone)

My video clips weren't on my digital camera.

They were on my cell phone.

a My cell phone was under the bed. (X the sofa)

b We were at the computer store yesterday afternoon. (X park)

c The text message was from Adam. (~~X~~ Alice)

d The games on that site were terrible.
(~~X~~ great)

4 Complete the text with the simple past form of the verbs in parentheses.

We visited (visit) the Computer History Museum in California last year. First, we **a** _____ (watch) a movie about the history of computers. They **b** _____ (show) us a strange computer from 1939 – the Atanasoff-Berry computer. It **c** _____ (look) like lots of light bulbs on a metal plate! In the movie there was also a huge calculator from 1940. They **d** _____ (call) it the Complex Number Calculator. George Stibitz **e** _____ (design) it. It **f** _____ (use) telephone wires to send the calculations to a machine in another city. After the movie, we **g** _____ (walk) around the museum with a guide. She **h** _____ (talk) about all the old computers.



5 Complete the text with the simple past form of the regular verbs in the box.

~~arrive~~ call charge chat learn
play stay store try use

My new cell phone arrived by mail yesterday. I **a** _____ at home in the afternoon and **b** _____ how to use it. First, I **c** _____ the battery. Then I **d** _____ all the data from my old phone on it – names, telephone numbers and email addresses. Then I **e** _____ Marianne and **f** _____ with her for ten minutes. After that, I **g** _____ two games. They were both excellent! Then I **h** _____ taking some pictures with the camera. It's fantastic. Finally, I **i** _____ a special flash memory card to upload some pictures and music files from my computer. Technology! I love it!