



# ENGLISH

## Chapter 19 Session A

**2nd**  
SECONDARY

**SIMPLE PAST**  
**Vacation**

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Vacation

# Get talking!

## 1 Talk about the pictures with a partner.

*What can you see?*

*Where are these places?*



## **2** What do you like to do on vacation?

- ☐ sit and relax on the beach
- ☐ look around an old city
- ☐ see a lot of new places
- ☐ play a lot of different sports

# Conversation



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# 1



## 72 Listen and read.



**Jim:** Hi, Kate. How was your vacation?

**Kate:** Great! I went to Hawaii for two weeks.

**Jim:** Hawaii? I spent two months there last summer.

**Kate:** Really? Well, now I'm thinking about a trip to Egypt or ...

**Jim:** Egypt? I came back from Cairo three weeks ago.  
The pyramids are amazing.

**Kate:** Are they? Anyway, I want to go there, or maybe Latin  
America because ...

**Jim:** Latin America? I traveled around Latin America last year ...  
for six months.

**Kate:** Hmm. Well, there's Europe, too, of course. I'd love to visit  
Italy and ...

**Jim:** Italy? Did you know I lived in Rome for two years?

**Kate:** No, I didn't know that, Jim.

**Jim:** Would you like to have lunch? I can tell you all about it.

**Kate:** No thanks, Jim. I'm ... er ... busy. Bye!

**2** Practice the conversation with a partner.



## Language box



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I traveled **ed** around Latin America last year.

He lived **ed** in Rome for two years.

She **went** to Hawaii for two weeks.

He **spent** two months there.

We **didn't go** on vacation this year.

They **didn't stay** in a hotel.

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# Simple past affirmative and negative

We use the **simple past** to talk about completed actions in the past.

### Affirmative

I	}	<b>arrived</b> yesterday.
You		
He		
She		
We		
They		

### Negative

I	}	<b>didn't arrive</b> yesterday.
You		
He		
She		
We		
They		

## Spelling

Regular verbs in the past end in *-ed*:

call – called **ed**    want – wanted **ed**    talk – talked **ed**

or *-d*:

love – loved **d**

Some verbs do not end in *-ed*. These are irregular verbs:

buy – bought    see – saw    come – came

(See page 126 for a complete list of irregular verbs.)

## Time expressions

We often use time expressions when we are talking about the past:

**for** ... a week/six months/two years

**in** ... 2011/the 1990s/June

an hour/four days/a week/two months **ago**

**last** ... night/week/month/year

**1**

**Complete these sentences about yesterday using the simple past of the verbs in parentheses.**

- 1 Yesterday I \_\_\_\_\_ (wake up) at seven o'clock.
- 2 I \_\_\_\_\_ (have) toast and coffee for breakfast.
- 3 I \_\_\_\_\_ (watch) TV.
- 4 I \_\_\_\_\_ (read) a newspaper.
- 5 I \_\_\_\_\_ (play) a computer game.
- 6 I \_\_\_\_\_ (send) a text message to my friend.
- 7 I \_\_\_\_\_ (write) an e-mail.
- 8 I \_\_\_\_\_ (use) the internet.
- 9 I \_\_\_\_\_ (meet) my friends in the evening.
- 10 I \_\_\_\_\_ (go) to bed before midnight.

**2**

**Complete the text with these verbs in the simple past.**

be   become   have   go  
meet   take   visit   want

Abigail <sup>1</sup> \_\_\_\_\_ to Europe on vacation for a month. She <sup>2</sup> \_\_\_\_\_ France and Italy. She <sup>3</sup> \_\_\_\_\_ to go to Spain, but she <sup>4</sup> \_\_\_\_\_ time. When she <sup>5</sup> \_\_\_\_\_ in Paris, she <sup>6</sup> \_\_\_\_\_ Marie-Anne. Marie-Anne <sup>7</sup> \_\_\_\_\_ her to a lot of interesting places, and they <sup>8</sup> \_\_\_\_\_ good friends.

### 3

### Circle the correct answers.

- 1 Sam went to the beach *the yesterday* / *yesterday*.
- 2 Wei-Min went to a party *the last weekend* / *last weekend*.
- 3 Kevin ate out with his family *last* / *yesterday* night.
- 4 Jairo went to the dentist *in six months* / *six months ago*.
- 5 George went to Spain *in* / *for* three weeks.
- 6 Lee's birthday was *on* / *in* June.





## Challenge!

Work with a partner.

Use time expressions from the box on the left to make true sentences about yourself.

*I went to Rome for two weeks last year.*

# Vocabulary

**1****Match each activity with a picture.**

- 1 F ☐ go to a museum
- 2     ☐ go sightseeing
- 3     ☐ go scuba diving
- 4     ☐ buy souvenirs
- 5     ☐ go hiking
- 6     ☐ visit temples
- 7     ☐ sunbathe on the beach
- 8     ☐ go whitewater rafting
- 9     ☐ go on a guided tour



**2**

**Check (✓) the vacation activities you enjoy.  
Then ask and answer questions with a partner.**

A: *Do you like to go to museums when you go on vacation?*

B: *Not really. I think museums are boring!*