**Mini-Lesson: Past Simple (I did)**

**1. Introduction to Past Simple**

* **Definition**: Used for actions that happened and finished in the past.
* **Example Situation**:
  + Sarah watched a movie last night (finished action).
  + They visited Paris in 2020 (completed time).

**2. Forming the Past Simple**

* **Regular Verbs**:
  + Add **-ed** to the base verb (e.g., "work → worked," "play → played").
  + Spelling rules:
    - Verbs ending in **-e**: Add **-d** (e.g., "live → lived").
    - Verbs ending in consonant + **-y**: Change **-y** to **-ied** (e.g., "study → studied").
* **Irregular Verbs**:
  + Must be memorized (e.g., "go → went," "eat → ate," "see → saw").

**3. Uses of Past Simple**

* **Completed Actions**: "I finished my homework yesterday."
* **Past Habits**: "She played tennis every Sunday when she was young."
* **Sequenced Events**: "He woke up, brushed his teeth, and left for work."

**4. Questions and Negatives**

* **Questions**: Use **did** + subject + base verb (e.g., "Did you call her?").
* **Negatives**: Use **did not (didn’t)** + base verb (e.g., "They didn’t go to the party.").

**5. Common Time Expressions**

* **Yesterday**, **last week/month/year**, **in 2010**, **an hour ago**, **when I was a child**.

**Practice Exercises**

**Exercise 1: Fill in the blanks with the past simple form.**

1. I \_\_\_\_\_ (watch) a great film last night.
2. She \_\_\_\_\_ (not eat) breakfast this morning.
3. They \_\_\_\_\_ (travel) to Spain last summer.

**Exercise 2: Correct the mistakes.**

1. "He didn’t went to school." → **He didn’t go to school.**
2. "Did they visited the museum?" → **Did they visit the museum?**

**Exercise 3: Write questions for these answers.**

1. Q: \_\_\_\_\_?  
   A: Yes, I finished my project.
2. Q: \_\_\_\_\_?  
   A: No, she didn’t like the soup.

**Key Notes**

* **Regular vs. Irregular Verbs**: Practice common irregular verbs (e.g., "have → had," "write → wrote").
* **Pronunciation**: **-ed** can sound like /t/ (e.g., "worked"), /d/ (e.g., "played"), or /ɪd/ (e.g., "wanted").

**Task for Students**:  
Write 3 sentences about what you did last weekend. Use past simple!

Would you like me to add a game or speaking activity to this lesson? 😊