**Mini-Lesson: Past Simple Tense (A1 Level)**

**1. Explanation (Simple Words)**

*"We use the past simple to talk about actions that happened and finished in the past. These actions could be yesterday, last week, or a long time ago. For regular verbs, we add ‘-ed’ at the end. For example: ‘walk’ → ‘walked.’ Some verbs are irregular and change completely, like ‘go’ → ‘went.’"*

**2. Example Sentences (Everyday Situations)**

* *I watched TV last night.*
* *She visited her grandma on Sunday.*
* *They played football yesterday.*
* *He ate pizza for dinner.* (irregular)
* *We went to the park last weekend.* (irregular)

**3. Common Mistakes & How to Avoid Them**

🔹 **Mistake 1:** Forgetting to change the verb to past form.

* ❌ *"I play football yesterday."* → ✅ *"I played football yesterday."*
* **Tip:** Always check if the action is finished in the past!

🔹 **Mistake 2:** Using "did" + verb (correct in questions/negatives but wrong in positives).

* ❌ *"I did go to school."* → ✅ *"I went to school."*
* **Tip:** *"Did"* is only for questions (*"Did you go?"*) and negatives (*"I didn’t go."*).

🔹 **Mistake 3:** Wrong irregular past forms (e.g., *"I eated"* instead of *"I ate"*).

* **Tip:** Practice common irregular verbs (go→went, eat→ate, see→saw).

**4. Practice Activities**

**A. Fill in the Blanks (Regular/Irregular Verbs)**

1. She \_\_\_\_\_ (cook) dinner last night.
2. They \_\_\_\_\_ (drink) coffee this morning.
3. We \_\_\_\_\_ (study) English yesterday.

**B. Correct the Error**

1. *"I goed to the market."* → \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_
2. *"She didn’t played tennis."* → \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

**C. Speaking Practice (Pair Work)**  
Ask and answer:

* *"What did you do last weekend?"*
* *"Did you watch a movie yesterday?"*

**Answers:**  
A: 1. cooked, 2. drank, 3. studied  
B: 1. *went*, 2. *didn’t play*

This keeps the lesson simple, interactive, and focused on common errors! 😊