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# Week –XIII

- **Past simple: Be**
- **Past simple: Regular Verbs**

# Simple Past Tense - Verb «to be»

## Examples



I **was** in Paris **yesterday**.

I **am** in Istanbul **today**.



She **was** very happy **an hour ago**.

She **is** sad **now**.



They **were** at school **last year**.

They **are** at work **this year**.



## Simple Past Tense - Verb «to be»

### Affirmative

Affirmative	
I	was
he she it	was
we you they	were

«**was**» and «**were**» can't be contracted.

I **was** happy yesterday.

She **was** sick yesterday. She **was** tired.

It **was** a beautiful day. It **was** warm and sunny.

We **were** friends for many years.

The cookies **were** really delicious.

I was at work yesterday.



I'~~s~~ at work yesterday.

## Simple Past Tense - Verb «to be»

### Negative

Negative			
I	was not	or	wasn't
he she it	was not	or	wasn't
we you they	were not	or	weren't

He **was not (wasn't)** ill.

She **wasn't** happy last week.

We **were not (weren't)** angry.

They **weren't** at home yesterday.

## Simple Past Tense - Verb «to be»

### Question

<i>Affirmative</i>	
I	<b>was</b>
he she it	<b>was</b>
we you they	<b>were</b>

<i>Question</i>	
<b>Was</b>	I?
<b>Was</b>	he? she? it?
<b>Were</b>	we? you? they?

<i>Short Answers</i>		
Yes,	I	<b>was.</b>
	he she it	<b>was.</b>
	we you they	<b>were.</b>

<i>Short Answers</i>		
No,	I	<b>wasn't.</b>
	he she it	<b>wasn't.</b>
	we you they	<b>weren't.</b>

## Simple Past Tense - Verb «to be»

### Question (Examples)

A: *Were* you at home last night?

B: Yes, I *was*.

A: *Were* Mandy and Susan in the cafe for lunch?

B: Yes, they *were*.

A: *Was* James with Julia yesterday?

B: No, he *wasn't*. He *was* with his parents.

A: *Were* your children at school two days ago?

B: No, they *weren't*. It *was* Sunday.

A: Where *were* you yesterday afternoon? You *weren't* at home.

B: I *was* out with my friends.

## Simple Past Tense - Verb «to be»

### Dialogue

**Detective:** *Where were you* at 7 o'clock last night?

**Jason:** *I was* at home.

**Detective:** *You weren't at home*. Your wife says *you were out. She was alone at home*.

**Jason:** Oh, yes. I remember now. *I was in a pub*.

**Detective:** *Were you alone?*

**Jason:** No, *I wasn't. I was with a friend*. Kevin Smith.  
You can ask him.





## Simple Past Tense - Verb «to be»

**Practice:** Complete the conversations with *was, wasn't, were or weren't*.

1. A: Where were you last night?

B: I was at work all evening.

A: No, you weren't. You were with Miriam.

2. A: Was Freddie Mercury an actor?

B: No, he wasn't. He was a singer with Queen.

3. A: Were you in Milan yesterday?

B: No, we weren't. We were in Rome.

4. A: Was the film good?

B: No, it wasn't. It was very slow.

## Simple Past Tense with *Regular Verbs*



## Simple Past Tense with *Regular Verbs*

### Affirmative

#### *Affirmative*

I

He

She

It

We

You

They

worked

watched

lived

studied

stopped

- Regular verbs (e.g., watch, play, visit, etc.):  
Add -ed to the verb → watched, played, visited

I *visited* my parents two days ago.

You *loved* horror films last year, but now you don't.

He *carried* the suitcases to the car

We *stopped* for a drink on the way home.

They *worked* late *last night*.

## Simple Past Tense with *Regular Verbs*

### -ed Spelling

<i>Infinitive</i>	<i>Past</i>	<i>Spelling</i>
watch play	watch <b>ed</b> play <b>ed</b>	general rule add <b>-ed</b>
like arrive	lik <b>ed</b> arriv <b>ed</b>	after <b>-e</b> add <b>-d</b>
study try cry	stud <b>ied</b> tr <b>ied</b> cri <b>ed</b>	after consonant + <b>-y</b> delete <b>-y</b> and add <b>-ied</b>
stop plan rob	stop <b>ped</b> plan <b>ned</b> rob <b>bed</b>	consonant + vowel + cons. Double consonant + <b>-ed</b>

BUT  
Mix – Mix**ed**  
Stay – Stay**ed**

## Simple Past Tense with *Regular Verbs*

### Negative

Negative		
I	did not / didn't	work
He		live
She		study
It		stop
We		go
You		have
They		get

- We use *did not / didn't + infinitive* form of the verb to make negative.
- We never use *-ed* in negative sentences.

## Simple Past Tense with *Regular Verbs*

### Negative



They *didn't like* the film.



She *didn't dance* at the party *last night*.



He *didn't walk* to school *yesterday*.

## Simple Past Tense with *Regular Verbs*

### Yes / No Question

Yes / No Question		
Did	I	work?
	he	live?
	she	study?
	it	stop?
	we	go?
	you	have?
	they	get?

Short Answers		
Yes,	I	did.
	he	
	she	
	it	
	we	
	you	
	they	

Short Answers		
No,	I	didn't.
	he	
	she	
	it	
	we	
	you	
	they	

- We use *did + subject + infinitive* form of the verb to make question.
- We never use *-ed* in questions.

## Simple Past Tense with *Regular Verbs*

### Wh- Question

#### Wh- Questions

What	did	I	work?
Where		he	live?
When		she	study?
Who		it	stop?
Why		we	go?
How		you	have?
What time		they	get?

- We use *Question Word* + *did* + *subject* + *infinitive* form of the verb to make question.
- We never use *-ed* or *past form of the verbs* in questions.



## Simple Past Tense with *Regular Verbs*

### Question



A: *Did* he *walk* to school *yesterday*?

B: Yes, he *did*.



A: *Did* she *dance* at the party *last night*?

B: No, she *didn't*.

A: *Did* they *work* late last Saturday?

B: Yes, they *did*.



A: *Did* they *like* the film?

B: No, they *didn't*.



## Simple Past Tense with *Regular Verbs*

Affirmative	Negative	Interrogative
I played	I didn't play	Did I play?
You played	You didn't play	Did you play?
He/she/it played	He/she/it didn't play	Did he/she/it play?
We played	We didn't play	Did we play?
You played	You didn't play	Did you play?
They played	They didn't play	Did they play?

## Simple Past Tense with *Regular Verbs*

### When to use Simple Past Tense.

➤ We use simple past tense to talk about finished actions or states.

I **visited** my grandparents **last summer**.

They **were** at home **two hours ago**.

## Simple Past Tense with *Regular Verbs*

Time expressions used with Simple Past Tense.

### ➤ Yesterday

I studied until 1 a.m. yesterday.

### ➤ Last + week / weekend / month / summer / year

John stopped smoking last year.

### ➤ ten minutes ago / an hour ago / two years ago

Blake called me ten minutes ago.

## Simple Past Tense with *Regular Verbs*

**Practice:** Write the sentences in *the simple past tense*.

1. They work in a bank. They worked in a bank.
2. Alex cries too much. Alex cried too much.
3. The train stops in Barcelona. The train stopped in Barcelona.
4. He doesn't finish work late. He didn't finish work late.
5. We don't live in Brazil. We didn't live in Brazil.
6. Do you walk to work? Did you walk to work?
7. Does she relax at the weekend? Did she relax at the weekend?

## Simple Past Tense with *Regular Verbs*

**Practice:** Complete the conversations with the verbs in brackets in *the past simple*.

1. (park)      A: Where did you park the car?  
B: I parked it near the restaurant.
2. (finish)      A: Did you finish your homework?  
B: No, I didn't finish it. It was very difficult.
3. (study)      A: What did you study at university?  
B: I studied economics.
4. (like)      A: Did you like the concert?  
B: No, I didn't like it very much. The singers were terrible.
5. (close)      A: Did you close the door?  
B: Of course, I closed it.

## Simple Past Tense - Verb «to be»

English Pronunciation: *Was / Were*

Watch the YouTube video and practice

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=NalGvK1c95M>



# Simple Past Tense - Verb «to be»

Extra exercises: *Was / Were*

<http://soundgrammar.com/learn/L2-CEFR-A1/L2-07-Was-Were.htm>

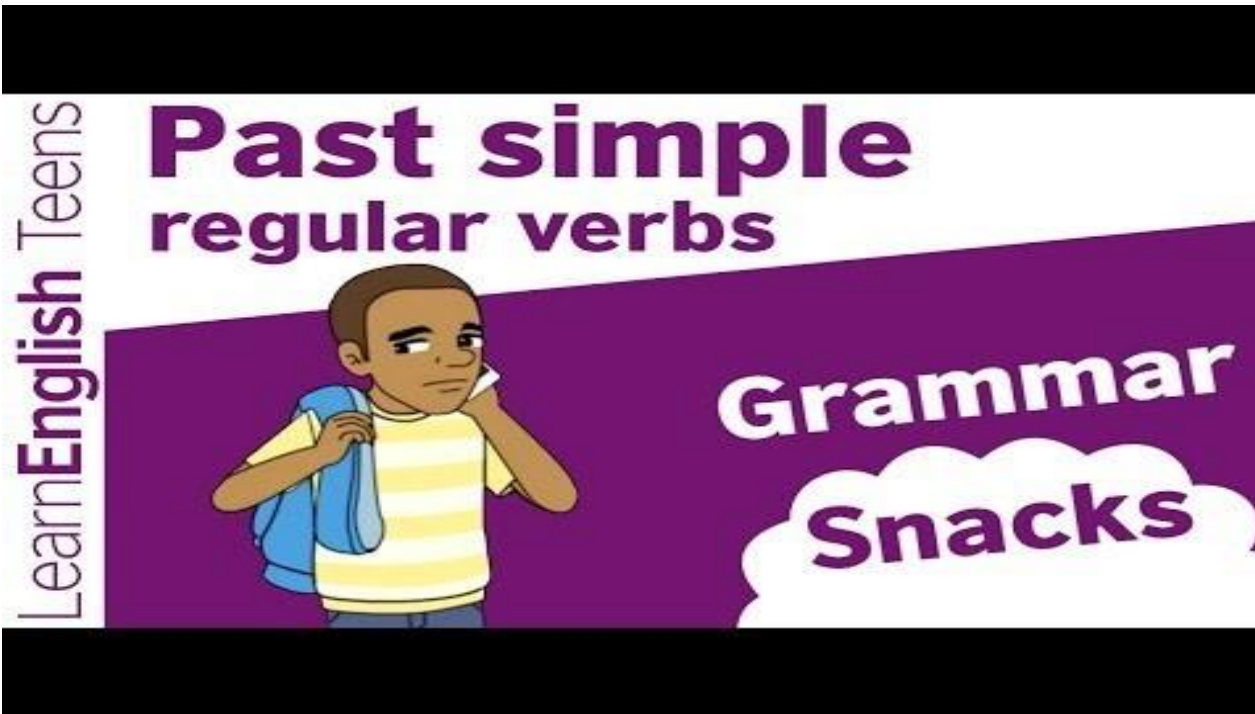




## Simple Past Tense with *Regular Verbs*

### Extra exercises

<https://learnenglishteens.britishcouncil.org/grammar/beginner-grammar/past-simple-regular-verbs>



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- **Past simple: Regular Verbs**



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SEE YOU NEXT WEEK.

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