

PAST SIMPLE: ALL FORMS PRACTICE

FILL IN THE BLANKS WITH THE PAST SIMPLE OF THE VERBS IN BRACKETS:



1. Mary
(NOT KNOW) what to
eat; so she
.....
(CHOOSE) some fish, a
piece of cheese and an
apple.



2. Adam
(TRY) to do an
experiment in the lab
yesterday.
Unfortunately, it
..... (BE) a
failure.

3. Our computer
..... (BREAK)
down yesterday, so dad
..... (PHONE)
the technician.



4. Tony
(SPEND) all his money
on souvenirs in
summer, so he
..... (NOT
GO) to Justin's concert
last week.



5. On Monday we
..... (MEET)
the new geography
teacher. It
(BE) his first day as a
teacher, so he
(FEEL) very nervous.



6. WE
(BE) so thirsty after
school that we
..... (DRINK) a
big glass of juice as
soon as we
(ARRIVE) at home.

7. Dan
(BE) so tired yesterday
that he
(SIT) on his favourite
armchair and
..... (TAKE) a
relaxing nap.



8. Baby Tom
..... (NOT
WANT) to eat; so mum
..... (HAVE) to
feed it. Then it
..... (EAT) all
its food. IT
..... (LIKE) it?



9. Alice
..... (NOT
COME) to school
yesterday. She
(GET) flu, so she
..... (STAY) at
home.



10. My friends
..... (BE) really
hungry. They
(SWALLOW) a dozen
hotdogs. As a result,
their stomach
(ACHE) later.

11. Mike
(DRIVE) very badly.
..... he
(PASS) his driving test?
No, he He
..... (FAIL) it
again!



12. Sarah
(CROSS) the road safely
because a policewoman
..... (STOP)
the traffic.



13. Pam
(BUY) some flowers for
mum, but she
..... (NOT
BUY) roses because
they (COST)
a lot.



14. Tom
(BORROW) some
books from the library.
He
(WRITE) an interesting
essay on literature.

Choose the best adjective.

1. Oh dear. I pressed the _____ button.
a. incorrect b. wrong c. false
2. I can't use my mobile phone. The battery's _____.
a. over b. flat c. exhausted
3. The battery isn't completely flat, but it's very _____.
a. down b. short c. low
4. My video camera is very _____.
a. easy to use b. uncomplicated c. obvious
5. My new computer has a very _____ processor.
a. quick b. high speed c. fast
6. The X19 notebook computer features a very _____ design.
a. compact b. little c. small
7. Keeping files on paper is _____ solution.
a. an old-tech b. a past-tech c. a low-tech
8. Keeping files on a computer database is a _____ solution.
a. new-tech b. now-tech c. high-tech
9. My new PDA is the _____ model.
a. latest b. newest c. most modern
10. In our office, we've set up a _____ network.
a. wire-free b. no wires c. wireless
11. A call from New York to Tokyo is _____ distance.
a. far b. long c. faraway
12. I don't think this printer is _____ with my computer.
a. compatible b. connectable c. suitable
13. My laptop is only 3 centimetres _____.
a. thick b. tall c. wide
14. The screen on my laptop isn't very _____.
a. light b. white c. bright
15. In three or four years, my new computer will probably be _____.
a. old fashioned b. behind the times c. obsolete
16. When you connect this to your computer, it will work immediately. It's _____.
a. plug and go b. plug and play c. plug and use

Can you answer these questions in English?

1. What kind of computer do you have?

2. Do you know the technical specifications of your computer?

3. Would you like to upgrade your computer? If so, what kind of computer would you like to get?

close
drag and drop
find
free up
installed
launch
password
renamed
running
save
search
start menu
uninstalling
user
window

1. I couldn't open the document you emailed me. I don't have Microsoft Word _____ on my computer.

2. Click on that icon to _____ Internet Explorer.

3. I _____ an important document, and now I can't find it.

4. If your computer is _____ several applications at the same time, it's more likely to crash. It's better to _____ the applications you're not using.

5. You can access all the applications on your computer from the _____.

6. You can view two Word documents on the screen at the same time. You just open a new _____.

7. It's easy to move files into a folder. You can just _____.

8. I asked the computer to _____ for files with "English" in the name, but it didn't _____ any.

9. This is a shared computer. Each _____ has their own _____.