



# Past Simple Tense

## (Negative and Interrogative)

Grammar > Intermediate 4



# Exercise 1 – Learning

## Past Simple - Negative

To negate a verb in present tense, we put '**do(es) not**' before the verb:

*Ex: I cook. → I **do not** cook.*

To negate a verb in past tense, we put the past tense of 'do not' before the verb:

**did not + verb.**

- I **did not (didn't)** go to work yesterday.
- It **did not (didn't)** rain last month.
- We **did not (didn't)** buy anything last week.



## Past Simple - Interrogative

To form yes-no questions in present tense, we put 'do' before the sentence:

*Ex: You cook. → **Do** you cook?*

To form yes-no questions in past tense, put the past tense of 'do' before the present tense sentence:

**did + present tense sentence**

- **Did** you *see* me?
- **Did** we *forget* something?

For **he/she/it**, keep the main verb in its basic (**without -s**) form:

- ~~**Did** he goes to work yesterday?~~ (Not correct!)
- **Did** he **go** to work yesterday? (Correct!)



## Exercise 2 – Fill in the Blanks

*Fill in the blanks with the negative past tense form of the verb.*

1. We \_\_\_\_\_ together when we were kids. (play)
2. I \_\_\_\_\_ for him. (wait)
3. They \_\_\_\_\_ to Spain last year. (go)
4. My uncle \_\_\_\_\_ to our house often. (come)
5. The baby \_\_\_\_\_ last night. (cry)
6. She \_\_\_\_\_ beer today. (drink)
7. We \_\_\_\_\_ a taxi home yesterday. (take)
8. Megan \_\_\_\_\_ a cat. (see)



## Exercise 3 – Sentence Construction

*Use what you learned in class to make questions in past simple tense.*

**Example:** The people jump. → Did the people jump?

### Content:

1. The man sits near the pool.
2. The woman smells her clothes.
3. The dog waits for his owner.
4. An airplane flies in the sky.
5. The girl kisses her mother.
6. The cats sleep.