# Past Simple

a single action in the past

**+**
🧍 + regular verb + **ed**
🧍 + **irregular verb past tense**

The police stopp**ed** him
The driver **was** drunk

**?**
🧍 + **didn't** + verb

He **didn't** eat

**✖**
**Did** + 🧍 + verb

**Did** he crash?

# Past Continuous

a long "background" action in the past

**+** 🧍 + **was/were** + verb + **ing**

He **was** driv**ing**
They **were** watch**ing**

**✖** 🧍 + was/were + **not** + verb + ing

He was **not** singing
We were **not** laughing

**?** **Was/were** + 🧍 + verb + **ing**

**Was** he cry**ing**?
**Were** you smil**ing**?

The police **stopped** the driver because he **had robbed** a bank

# Past Perfect

an action before another action in the past

**+**

👨 + **had** + regular verb + **ed**
👨 + **had** + **irregular verb**³

He **had** robb**ed** a bank
The train **had left**

**✖**

👨 + had + **not** + regular verb + ed
👨 + had + **not** + irregular verb³

I had **not** called
You had **not** seen

**?**

**Had** + 👨 + regular verb + ed
**Had** + 👨 + irregular verb³

**Had** he prepared it?
**Had** we known?

# Practice

**My phone rang...**

the moment I entered the room     (Past Simple)

when I was having my lunch     (Past Continuous)

after I had already had several calls     (Past Perfect)

**I woke up at night...**

    (Past Simple)

    (Past Continuous)

    (Past Perfect)

**I got the top mark in English...**

    (Past Simple)

    (Past Continuous)

    (Past Perfect)