**Simple past: regular and irregular verbs: Activity 1**

Read Grammar bank 12A. Complete the story with the verbs in (parentheses) in the simple past [+] , [–] , or [?]. Use contractions. Listen and check.

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| **Grammar Bank**  **12A past simple: regular and irregular verbs**  ***be***  I **was** at home last night.  I **wasn’t** at home last night.  You **were** very late.  You **weren’t** very late. He **was** a teacher.  He **wasn’t** a teacher. She **was** in bed at 10:00.  She **wasn’t** in bed at 10:00. It **was** cold yesterday.  It **wasn’t** cold yesterday.  You **were** tired last night.  You **weren’t** tired last night. We **were** in Spain in May.  We **weren’t** in Spain in May.  They **were** nice rooms.  They **weren’t** nice rooms.  **Was she** tired?  Yes, **she was**. **Were they** at school?  No, **they weren’t**. Where **were you** at 8:00 this morning?  **I was** on the bus.   * *was* / *were* is the past of *am* / *is* / *are*. * To make questions change the order:   **She was** at home. → **Was she** at home?  **Regular verbs**  I **played** tennis yesterday.  I **didn’t play** tennis yesterday. They **worked** all weekend.  They **didn’t work** all weekend. **Did you like** the movie?  Yes, **I did**.  No, **I didn’t**. Where **did they stay** in New York?  They **stayed** in a hotel on Fifth Avenue  • For regular verbs add -*ed* or -*d* to the infinitive to make the past simple.  **Irregular verbs**  I **got up** late yesterday.  I **didn’t get up** late yesterday. They **had** lunch at a restaurant.  They **didn’t have** lunch at a restaurant. **Did you go** on vacation last summer?  Yes, **I did**. No, **I didn’t**. Where **did you go** on vacation?  We **went** to Brazil.  • Some verbs are irregular in the past simple, e.g., *go* → *went*. • To make negatives of regular and irregular verbs, use *didn’t* + the base form, e.g., *I didn’t like the movie. They didn’t go to class.* • To make questions with regular and irregular verbs, use *Did* + person + the base form, e.g., *Did you like the movie? Did they go to class?* • Remember word order in questions:  auxiliary, subject, base form: *Did she want to come?*  question word, auxiliary, subject, base form: *What time did they get up?*  • There is a list of regular and irregular verbs on page 133 of the Student Book. |

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| Last summer my family and I went to Hawaii for vacation. We \_\_\_\_\_\_\_ (rent) a house in Honolulu, the capital city, about one mile from the Waikiki neighborhood. The weather \_\_\_\_\_\_\_ (be) fantastic, hot and sunny during the day, and cooler at night. We \_\_\_\_\_\_\_ (do) different things every day. Sometimes we \_\_\_\_\_\_\_ (go) downtown and \_\_\_\_\_\_\_ (visit) the palace and art museums. On other days we \_\_\_\_\_\_\_ (stay) in the house. It \_\_\_\_\_\_\_ (have) a swimming pool in the yard, so the children \_\_\_\_\_\_\_ (be) happy. One afternoon an old man \_\_\_\_\_\_\_ (arrive) at the door.  "Good afternoon," he \_\_\_\_\_\_\_ (say). "I’m your neighbor. Are your children at home?" "Yes," I \_\_\_\_\_\_\_ (answer). "I think so. Why?" "Because about an hour ago I \_\_\_\_\_\_\_ (see) a small boy near the Waikiki neighborhood. I think he was your son." I \_\_\_\_\_\_\_ (look) out of the window. My daughter \_\_\_\_\_\_\_ (be) in the swimming pool, but my son \_\_\_\_\_\_\_ (not be) there.  "Where \_\_\_\_\_\_\_ you \_\_\_\_\_\_\_ (see) him?" I \_\_\_\_\_\_\_ (ask).  "\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ you \_\_\_\_\_\_\_ (talk) to him?" "He was on the road, but I \_\_\_\_\_\_\_ (not speak) to him," the old man \_\_\_\_\_\_\_ (say).  "Come on,"  I \_\_\_\_\_\_\_ (tell) my husband. " We need to go into town."  The old man \_\_\_\_\_\_\_ (wait) at the house with my daughter and we \_\_\_\_\_\_\_ (go) to town.  My son \_\_\_\_\_\_\_  (be) outside a café. He \_\_\_\_\_\_\_ (have) a big ice cream in his hand.  "Why \_\_\_\_\_\_\_ you \_\_\_\_\_\_\_ (leave) the house?"  I asked him. " We \_\_\_\_\_\_\_ (be) really worried."  "I \_\_\_\_\_\_\_ (want) an ice cream,"  he said. |  |

**Simple past: regular and irregular verbs: Activity 2**

Complete the conversation with the simple past of the verbs in (parentheses). Listen and check.

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| **A** Hiroshi! Over here! **B**  Ayaka! It’s great to see you! **A**  \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ a good trip? (you / have) **B**  Yes, thanks. \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ fine. (it / be) **A**  Are you hungry? **B**  No, \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ lunch on the train. ( I / have) **A**  Really? What \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ ? (you / have) **B**  Some sandwiches. \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ them at the station this morning. ( I / buy)  **A**  Good idea. \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ to the station? (you / drive) **B**  No, \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ a taxi. (I / get) **A**  Did you? What time \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ home? (you / leave) **B**  \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ at 7 o'clock. (taxi / arrive) **A**  That's early! Are you tired? **B**  A bit. \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ well last night. (I /not sleep) **A**  Well, here's my car. Let's go home and you can relax. |  |

**Regular and irregular verbs: Activity 1**

Write the simple past of these verbs.

**1**  arrive \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_   
**2**  ask \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_  
**3**  do \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_  
**4**  get up \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_  
**5**  go \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_  
**6**  have \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_  
**7**  rent \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_  
**8**  stay \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_  
**9**  visit \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_  
**10** wait \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

**Regular and irregular verbs: Activity 2**

Complete the sentences with the simple past of a verb from the list.

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| arrive        ask        do       get up       go        have        rent       stay       visit       wait |

**1** I \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ very late this morning.  
**2** We \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ at the airport at six o'clock in the evening.  
**3**  I \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ dinner in a restaurant last night.  
**4**I \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ for the bus for two hours.  
**5**  We \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ in a hotel near the beach.  
**6** I \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ to Thailand on vacation last year.  
**7** I \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ my girlfriend to marry me in Mexico City.  
**8** I \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ a lot of housework last week.  
**9**  My parents \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ us last weekend.  
**10**  I \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ a bike to travel around the island.

**Irregular verbs**

Write the simple past of the irregular verbs. Then listen and repeat.

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| buy \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_  send \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ leave \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ sit \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ say \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ tell \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ see \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ write \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ |  |

**How was the game? Activity 1**

Listen to the conversation. Choose *True* or *False*.

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| 1. The man didn’t go to the game.    * True    * False 2. The man used cash to buy tickets.    * True    * False 3. The tickets arrived electronically.    * True    * False 4. The game started at 8 o’clock.    * True    * False 5. The representative wasn’t at the ticket office.    * True    * False 6. The man paid $120 for a ticket.    * True    * False |  |

**How was the game? Activity 2**

Listen again. Number the sentences in the order you hear them. Write 1 – 6. You can read the audio script to help you.

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| **A**  So, how was the game on Saturday? I watched it on TV. I thought it was a fantastic game. First half, I thought the...  **B**  I didn’t go.  **A**  What do you mean you didn’t go?  **B**  Well. It’s a long story. I did something really stupid.  **A**  What did you do?  **B**  Well, I decided to look on the internet for tickets. And I found some on a website. They were a good price, so I bought two tickets with my debit card.  **A**  Then what happened?  **B**  Well, when I paid for them, I got this strange message. It said that there were some technical problems with the website and it wasn’t possible for them to send me the tickets electronically. But they said it wasn’t a problem. They said a representative from the company would meet me next to the ticket office outside the stadium at seven o’clock, an hour before the game, and give me the tickets in person.  **A** What did you do?  **B** I went to the stadium at 7:00. But the ticket office was closed. Nobody was there. No representative. No tickets.  **A** Oh no. So you didn’t see the game.  **B**  No, and I paid $120 for two tickets. I can’t believe I was so stupid. |  |

\_\_\_\_\_ But the ticket office was closed.

\_\_\_\_\_ I did something really stupid.

\_\_\_\_\_ So you didn’t see the game.

\_\_\_\_\_ But they said it wasn’t a problem.

\_\_\_\_\_ What did you do?

\_\_\_\_\_ I thought it was a fantastic game.