

NAME: _____

DATE: _____

GRAMMAR WORKSHEET

PAST SIMPLE: Irregular



I		
You		
He		
She	ate	dinner.
It		
We		
They		

I			
You			
He			
She	didn't	eat	dinner.
It			
We			
They			

didn't = did not

	I		
	you		
	he		
Did	she	eat	dinner?
	it		
	we		
	they		

Yes,

No,

I		I	
you		you	
he		he	
she	did.	she	didn't.
it		it	
we		we	
they		they	

- Fill in the blanks below to complete the sentences. Study the boxes above.

- I (eat) **ate** dinner at six o'clock yesterday.
- A: _____ Helen (drive) _____ to work? B: Yes, she _____.
- My neighbor (buy) _____ a new car last week.
- They (go) _____ to Italy on their last summer holiday.
- A: _____ they (swim) _____ at the beach? B: No, they _____.
- My family and I (see) _____ a comedy movie last night.
- First, we (do) _____ exercise, and then we (drink) _____ some water.
- Suddenly, the animal jumped and (bite) _____ my hand.
- What time (do) _____ you (get up) _____ this morning?
- The Wright brothers (fly) _____ the first airplane in 1903.
- I think I (hear) _____ a strange sound outside the door one minute ago.
- When I was ten years old, I (break) _____ my arm. It really (hurt) _____.
- The police (catch) _____ all three of the bank robbers last week.
- How many times (do) _____ you (read) _____ that book?
- Unfortunately, I (forget) _____ to (bring) _____ my money.

Grammar Focus Past Simple: Irregular

Level Intermediate

ANSWER KEY

My Notes



- | | |
|------------------------|--------------------|
| 1. ate | 9. did / get up |
| 2. Did / drive / did | 10. flew |
| 3. bought | 11. heard |
| 4. went | 12. broke / hurt |
| 5. Did / swim / didn't | 13. caught |
| 6. saw | 14. did / read |
| 7. did / drank | 15. forgot / bring |
| 8. bit | |

Grades as percentages

15 / 15 =	100%
14 / 15 =	93
13 / 15 =	87
12 / 15 =	80
11 / 15 =	73
10 / 15 =	67
9 / 15 =	60
8 / 15 =	53
7 / 15 =	47
6 / 15 =	40
5 / 15 =	33
4 / 15 =	27
3 / 15 =	20
2 / 15 =	13
1 / 15 =	7
0 / 15 =	0 %

Simple Past (negative and affirmative)

1. Write these sentences in the past.

1. He goes to the swimming pool because he likes swimming.

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2. They have dinner at nine o'clock.

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3. Adam runs 500 m

.....

4. Helen eats too many sweets.

.....

5. I buy the newspaper in the shop.

.....

6. We get up at eight o'clock and go to school.

.....

2. Write the sentences in exercise 1 in the negative form.

1.

2.

3.

4.

5.

6.

3. Write about what Jim did and didn't do yesterday, as in the examples.

1. Go to the bank (yes)

1. He went to the bank

2. Buy some shoes (no)

2. He didn't buy any shoes.

3. Write to Sally (yes)

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4. Buy a shirt (yes)

.....

5. Have lunch with Adam (no)

.....

6. Write to Peter (yes)

.....

7. Go to the hospital (no)

.....

8. Have dinner with Susie (yes)

.....

9. Play football (no)

.....

10. Make dinner (yes)

.....

4. Write the past form of these verbs.

1. to get

6. to play

2. to buy

7. to come

3. to study

8. to go

4. to watch

9. to pay

5. to begin

10. to walk

Answers

Exercise 1:

1. He went to the swimming pool because he liked swimming.
2. They had dinner at nine o'clock.
3. Adam ran 500 m
4. Helen ate too many sweets.
5. I bought the newspaper in the shop.
6. We got up at eight o'clock and went to school.

Exercise 2:

1. He didn't go to the swimming pool because he didn't like swimming.
2. They didn't have dinner at nine o'clock.
3. Adam didn't run 500 m
4. Helen didn't eat too many sweets.
5. I didn't buy the newspaper in the shop.
6. We didn't get up at eight o'clock and went to school.

Exercise 3:

3. He wrote to Sally
4. He bought a shirt
5. He didn't have lunch with Adam
6. He wrote to Peter
7. He didn't go to the hospital
8. He had dinner with Susie
9. He didn't play football
10. He made dinner

Exercise 4:

- | | |
|------------|------------|
| 1. got | 6. played |
| 2. bought | 7. came |
| 3. studied | 8. went |
| 4. watched | 9. paid |
| 5. began | 10. walked |

Simple Past (interrogative)

1. Write these questions in the past.

1. Does she buy the newspaper in the shop over there?
2. Do they do their homework in the evening?
3. Do they have a good holiday?
4. Do they find any animal in the forest?
5. Is it dark when she gets up in the morning?

2. Write questions for these answers.

1. *Where did you go yesterday?*

I went to the park

2.?

My friend arrived at five o'clock

3.?

He said "hello!"

4.?

The film started at seven.

5.?

We went on a excursion.

6.?

She visited her aunt.

7. ?

My grandparents lived in Italy.

3. Write questions in the past with these words.

1. when / study English / you
2. what / do / yesterday / she
3. like / the film / he
4. live / in Paris / your parents
5. walk / down / the road / they

Answers

Exercise 1:

1. Did she buy the newspaper in the shop over there?
2. Did they do their homework in the evening?
3. Did they have a good holiday?
4. Did they find any animal in the forest?
5. Was it dark when she got up in the morning?

Exercise 2:

2. What time / when did your friend arrive?
3. What did he say?
4. What time / when did they film start?
5. Where did you go?
6. Who did she visit?
7. Where did your grandparents live?

Exercise 3:

1. When did you study English?
2. What did she do yesterday?
3. Did he like the film?
4. Did your parents live in Paris?
5. Did they walk down the road?

Past Simple

A Write the Past Simple of each verb in the correct column.

open marry like try bake stop mix plan repeat worry decide travel

-ed	-d	-ied	double consonant + -ed
<i>opened</i>			

B Complete the sentences with the Past Simple of the verbs in brackets.

- My sister *tried* (try) to bake a cake last Saturday.
- We (not order) steak and chips at the restaurant yesterday.
- I (phone) my cousin in Canada three days ago.
- The children (play) on the computer yesterday.

C Write the questions. Then answer them.

- you / watch TV / last night
Did you watch TV last night?
Yes, I did. / No, I didn't.
- your friends / play football / yesterday
.....
.....
- your mum / bake / a cake / last weekend
.....
.....
- you / phone / a friend / an hour ago
.....
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D Write the Past Simple form of the verbs.

- take *took*
- drink
- ride
- give
- think
- have
- go
- wake
- buy

E Write questions with the words below. Then answer the questions according to the pictures. Use the Past Simple.



- Rob / buy a small car
Did Rob buy a small car?
No, he didn't. He bought a jeep.
- Jenny / wear a skirt / to the party
.....
.....
- cowboys / drive cars / in the 1880s
.....
.....
- the teacher / speak Greek / in the lesson
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Past Simple – Answers

A -ed: opened, mixed, repeated
-d: liked, baked, decided
-ied: married, tried, worried
double consonant + -ed: stopped, planned, travelled

B 1 tried 3 phoned
2 didn't order 4 played

C 1 Did you watch TV last night?
Yes, I did. / No, I didn't.
2 Did your friends play football yesterday?
Yes, they did. / No, they didn't.
3 Did your mum bake a cake last weekend?
Yes, she did. / No, she didn't.
4 Did you phone a friend an hour ago?
Yes, I did. / No, I didn't.

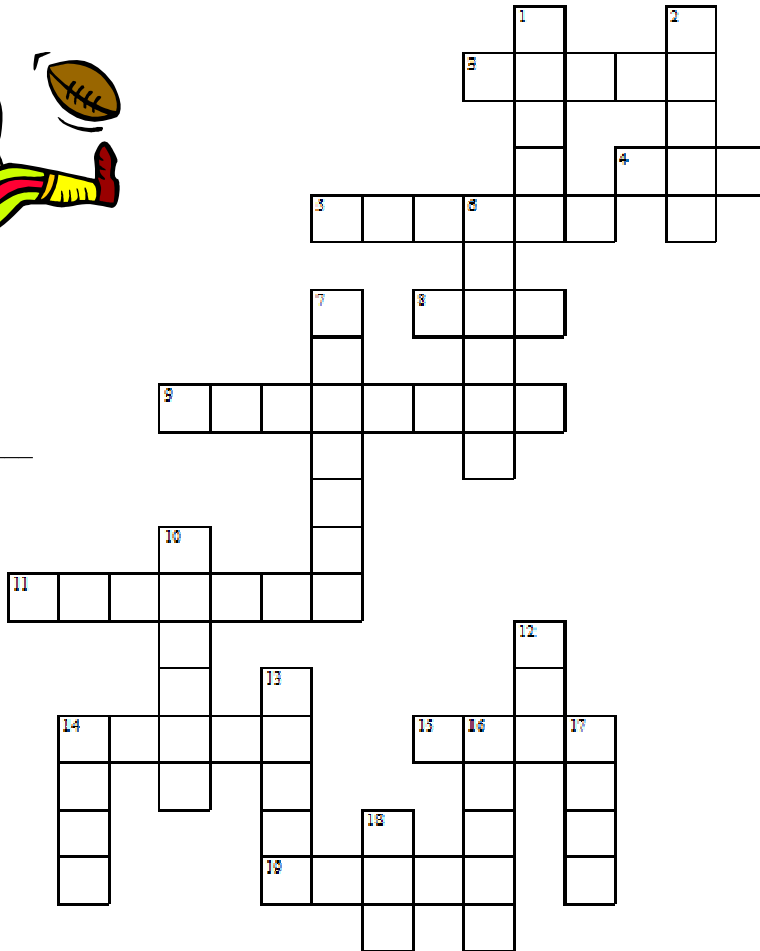
D 1 took 6 had
2 drank 7 went
3 rode 8 woke
4 gave 9 bought
5 thought

E 1 Did Rob buy a small car?
No, he didn't. He bought a jeep.
2 Did Jenny wear a skirt to the party?
No, she didn't. She wore jeans.
3 Did cowboys drive cars in the 1880s?
No, they didn't. They rode horses.
4 Did the teacher speak Greek in the lesson?
No, she didn't. She spoke English.

ESL Kids World: Past Tense Puzzle

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Read the clues and then complete the puzzle.



Across: →

- 3 the past tense of break _____
- 4 the past tense of have _____
- 5 the past tense of jump _____
- 8 the past tense of run _____
- 9 yesterday I _____ to music
- 11 the past tense of dream _____
- 14 the past tense of sleep _____
- 15 this morning many birds _____ in the sky
- 19 the past tense of drive _____

Down: ↓

- 1 the past tense of write _____
- 2 the past tense of begin _____
- 6 last year he _____ football
- 7 the past tense of watch _____
- 10 the past tense of rain _____
- 12 the past tense of eat _____
- 13 the past tense of stand _____
- 14 the past tense of swim _____
- 16 He used to love his girlfriend _____
- 17 the past tense of go _____
- 18 the team _____ a lot of trophies

Teacher's answers

