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WHAT DID YOU DO LAST WEEKEND?

GRAMMAR

The Past Simple tense

- We use the Past Simple to talk about completed actions or situations that took place at a specific time in the past.

Example: I visited Berlin last week.

Example: Andrew watched TV yesterday.

- Sometimes the speaker may not mention the specific time, but they do have a specific time in mind.

Example: When I went to Japan I enjoyed it a lot.

Regular verbs

Affirmative

I
You
He
She
It
We
You
They

} liked the movie

Negative

didn't like the concert.

Questions

I	Did	she like the movie? Yes, she did.
you	it	No, she didn't.
he	we	
she	you	
it	they	

Spelling changes

- Regular verbs add -ed to the base form.

Example: watch- watched

- If the base form ends in "e", just add -d.

Example: like- liked

- If the base form ends in a consonant + "y", add -ied.

Example: study- studied

- If the base form ends in a vowel + "y", add -ed.

Example: play- played

- If the base form ends in a consonant after a stressed vowel at the end of the word, double the consonant and add -ed.

Example: stop- stopped

Irregular verbs

Some verbs have an irregular form for the Past Simple. There is no rule for these verbs. You should learn them by heart.
Here are some examples.

Base Form	Past Simple	Base Form	Past Simple	Base Form	Past Simple
buy	→ bought	eat	→ ate	read	→ read
come	→ came	get	→ got	say	→ said
cut	→ cut	go	→ went	see	→ saw
do	→ did	have	→ had	take	→ took
drink	→ drank	make	→ made	think	→ thought
drive	→ drove	put	→ put	write	→ wrote

For more irregular verbs see page 44.

LISTENING**The regular Past Simple tense ending**

- a) Listen and repeat.

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|---|---|---|
| 1. /d/
listened = listen /d/
exercised = exercise /d/ | 2. /t/
liked = like /t/
washed = wash /t/ | 3. /ɪd/
wanted = want /ɪd/
needed = need /ɪd/ |
|---|---|---|

- b) Complete the e-mail. Use the Past Simple tense and the past tense of "be".

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Hi, Lucille: Yesterday was a really nice day. I got up early. brushed my teeth, made breakfast, and cleaned my house all before 8.30. Then I worked until noon. After lunch, I listened to the weather report, and the weather was warm. I invited all my grandchildren here. They came here in the afternoon. We talked together for a while, and then the younger children took a nap. The older ones went to the park and played soccer. At the end of the day, I cooked dinner for all the children. They loved the dinner because it was pasta. The kids ate everything and wanted more! Great day!

Brian.

c) Complete the conversations with the Simple Past tense.

1. A: Where did your family go on Saturday?

B: We went to the movies We saw a good family movie.

A: Did you go out to eat afterwards?

B: Yes, we ate Indonesian food. It had a lot of pepper.

A: But I thought your husband did not like peppery food.

B: Actually, he ate a little and he said it was good.

2. A: Who did take out the garbage this morning?

B: Actually, Laura did it.

A: And who did do the laundry?

B: I'm not sure. But I think Laura did the laundry this morning, too.

A: That's great, but you did any household chores?

B: Me? Last week I did all the chores:

I went shopping, and I came home

early, and I made dinner every night.

LISTENING

Describe your past activities

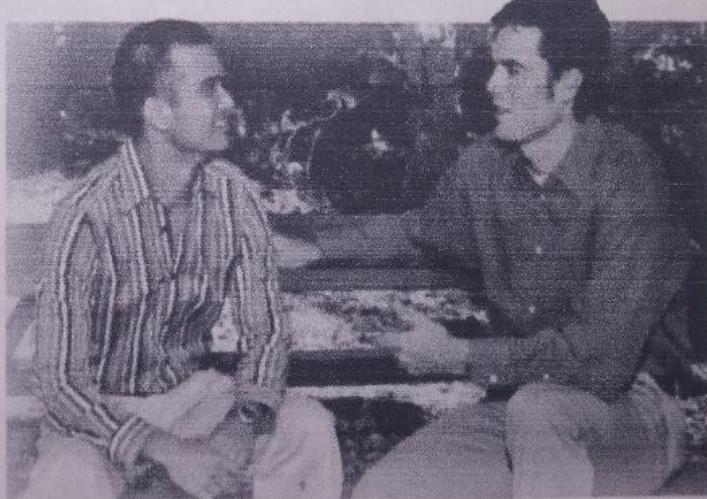
d)  Read and listen.

A: So what did you do yesterday?

B: Well, I got up at seven, I made breakfast, and then I went to work.

A: What about after work? Did you do anything special?

B: Not really. I just made dinner and watched a movie.



SPEAKING

With a partner, personalize the conversation.

Describe your past activities. Then change roles.

LISTENING

- e)  Read and listen to what people did last weekend.

Fz FriendsZone   

What did you do last weekend?

Gaby Pérez  **Location: México**
My husband and I live in Guadalajara, in the Mexican state of Jalisco. We love the beach so last Friday we got up early and drove to Puerto Vallarta, about three and a half hours from home. The drive was nice, and we sang as we drove. On Friday night we had a great dinner at a wonderful fish restaurant. Then we got up early on Saturday, and because the weather was great, we went to the beach before breakfast! Sunday was pretty much the same. What a great weekend!
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Kwan-Jin Park  **Location: Korea**
I'm an university student from Korea, but this month I'm visiting my aunt and uncle and my cousins in Baltimore, in the U.S. state of Maryland. Last weekend, we went to New York. On Friday, we wanted to go to an American restaurant and then to an outdoor concert. But the weather was really bad- it rained, and it was so cold! We didn't go to the concert. We ate in the hotel, and we watched the concert on TV! But on Saturday and Sunday, the weather was beautiful, so we went to Central Park and saw a play outdoors. We ate right there in the park, and we had a great, great time. I loved New York.
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Paul Martin  **Location: Canada**
Last weekend was actually pretty nice. I live in Montreal, in the Canadian province of Quebec. I invited my friends here, and we went for a walk in the Old City. We ate delicious food at a great restaurant. On Saturday, my girlfriend came here from Quebec City. We went dancing, and we stayed out so late. Here's a great picture. On Sunday, we went to the movies and to the mall. We bought new clothes. Montreal has some wonderful stores.

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- f) Write one yes/no question and one information question about Gaby, Kwan-Jin and Paul. Then answer a partner's question.

Yes / no questions

Short answers

- did Gaby and her husband sing? Yes, they did
did Kwan-Jin want to the concert? No, he did
did Paul and friend ate delicious food? Yes, they did

WRITING

g) Choose one of the following topics:

a. Write about Don and Karen. Write about what they did.

b. Write about your weekend.

For example: "Last weekend I went to the beach..."

- ① Karen bought fruits and vegetables in the supermarket and after she cooked.
- ② Karen and Don walked in the park.
- ③ Don swam in the swimming pool yesterday.
- ④ Karen and Don went to the concert.

