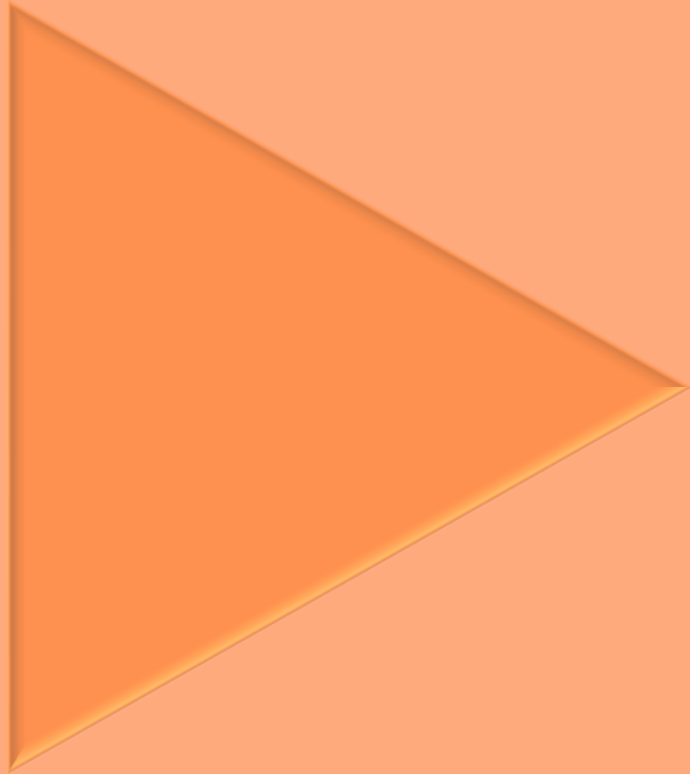


PAST SIMPLE



Structure

Uses

Exercises

Regular Verbs

S + V-ed

With regular verb
Add -ed to the verb

Play+ed

I played football yesterday.

Irregular Verbs

S + V2

With irregular verbs
Use the past form of the verb.

Go > went .

She went home.

Adding
-ed

closed

Die>Died
Love>Loved
Like>Liked
Phone>phone
d

Rule 1:
Verbs that
end with
silent -e

Close + ed

Adding
-ed

study

Ex:
Cry-cried
Try-tried
carry-
carried

Rule 2:
Verbs ending with
consonant + y

studied

Note:
Vowel +y
Play>played

Spelling

Rule 3:
consonant after
a stressed vowel
at the end
Double the
consonant

Stop+ed
Cancel+e
d

Stopp**e**d
cancel**l**ed

Note: not
double
unless the
last syllable
stressed
Ex: opened

1.

Use Past
Simple with
finished
actions, states
and habits

- I **went** to the cinema yesterday.
- She **played** the piano when she was a child.
- We **finished** our homework.
- I **studied** English last weekend.
- They **wrote** an essay yesterday.

2.
Use Past
Simple with
**series of
finished
actions.**

- I **finished** my homework and **went** out with my friends.
- She **arrived** home, **had** dinner and **watched** TV last night.
- We **studied** past simple and **did** the exercises.
- My dad **washed** the car and **drove** to the work.

3.

Use Past Simple with
a duration which starts and finishes in the past

- I **lived** in England for five years.
- She **waited** there for a long time.
- We **sat** in the cafe for two hours.
- They **worked** in this company for ten years.

Common irregular verbs

- go >went
- come>came
- sleep>slept
- write >wrote
- make>made
- see>saw
- take>took
- give>gave
- say>said
- know>knew
- have>had
- think>thought
- keep>kept
- meet>met
- drink>drank
- eat>ate
- speak>spoke
- read>read
- wear>wore
- bring>brought
- send>sent
- drive>drove
- buy>bought
- fall>fell

Exercise
***Fill in the
gaps.***

- My mother _____ a letter. (write)
- I _____ my family last week.(visit)
- She _____ a breakfast today. (have)
- Somebody _____ my car.(steal)
- I _____ to the school last month.(go)
- We _____ our homework.(do)
- They _____ English.(study)

Answer Key

- My mother **wrote** a letter. (write)
- I **visited** my family last week.(visit)
- She **had** a breakfast today. (have)
- Somebody **stole** my car.(steal)
- I **went** to the school last month.(go)
- We **did** our homework.(do)
- They **studied** English.(study)