

Simple past tense



The **simple past tense** is used to indicate an action that has **already happened** (before speaking). We add **-ed** to the base verb.

Irregular verbs take different forms.

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I **swam**



simple past tense of the
irregular verb 'swim'

Past tense- talks about action that has happened **before**.

Rule- **Subject** + **verb-ed(v2)**

Regular verbs	Irregular verbs
play - played	see - saw
cook - cooked	sit - sat
walk - walked	put - put
jump - jumped	bring - brought

Know the correct form .

1. I **saw** a flower.

2. She **jumped** on the table.

3. He **wrote** a letter.

4. Suresh **finished** his homework.

5. I **brought** rice for lunch.

Simple past tense

- sentences
- negative sentences
- questions

Subject	Singular	Plural
First person	I	We
Second person	You	You
Third person	He, She, It, Name (ex: Sam)	They

For each sentence of any tense has a basic formula.

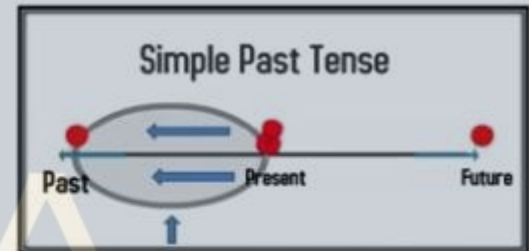
a) Sentences – simple past

Subject	+ verb (v2) (past form)	+ object
I, You, We, They, He, She, It, Sam (Name)	Singular Ex : played	football

Example:

- i) I **played** football.
- ii) You **played** football.
- iii) We **played** football.
- iv) They **played** football.
- v) He **played** football.
- vi) She **played** football.
- vii) It **played** football.
- viii) Sam **played** football.

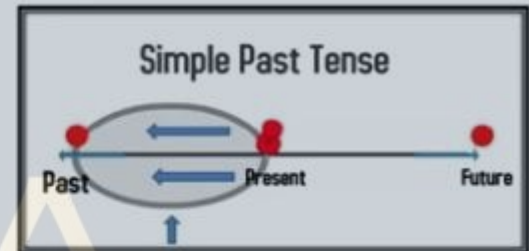
Negative Sentences



I, We, You, They, He, She, It

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(did not) "didn't"

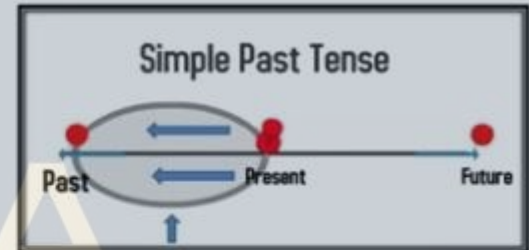
Negative Sentences



**She didn't go to bed early
last night.**

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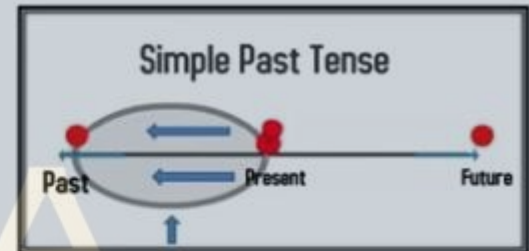
Negative Sentences



It didn't rain yesterday.

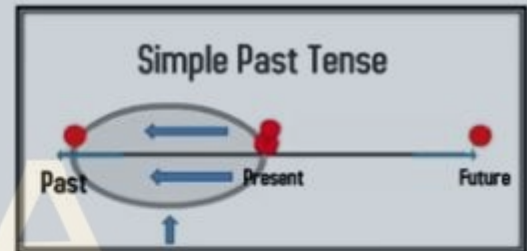
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Negative Sentences



**We didn't go to a movie
yesterday.**

Negative Sentences



**Jane didn't come to school
last week.**

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b) Negative sentences – simple past

Subject	+ verb (v2)	+ object
I, You, We, They, He, She, It, (Name)	(did not / didn't) Ex : go	to school
Example :		
i) I went to school.	i) I didn't go to school.	
ii) You went to school.	ii) You didn't go to school.	
iii) We went to school.	iii) We didn't go to school.	
iv) They went to school.	iv) They didn't go to school.	
v) He went to school.	v) He didn't go to school.	
vi) She went to school.	vi) She didn't go to school.	
vii) It went to school.	vii) It didn't go to school.	
viii) Sam went to school.	viii) Sam didn't go to school.	

Questions Sentences

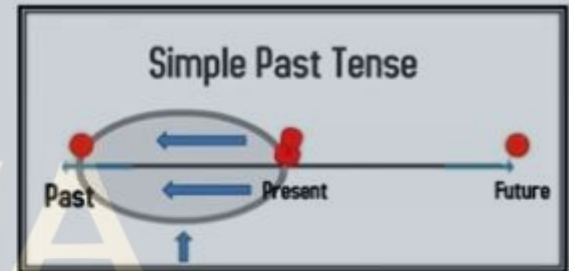


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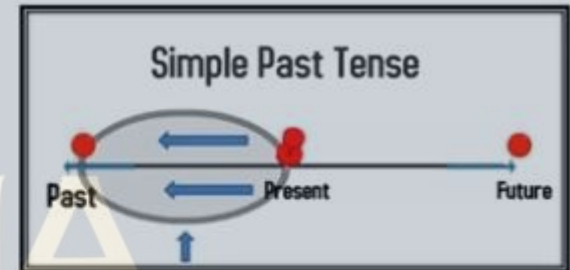
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Did...

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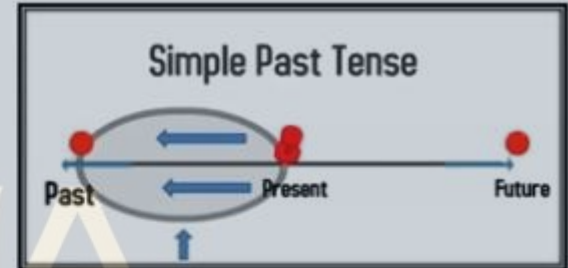
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Did you play football?

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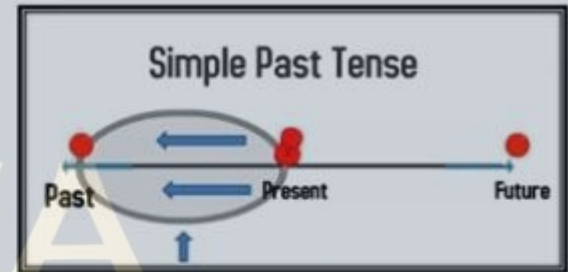
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**Did you have dinner last
night?**

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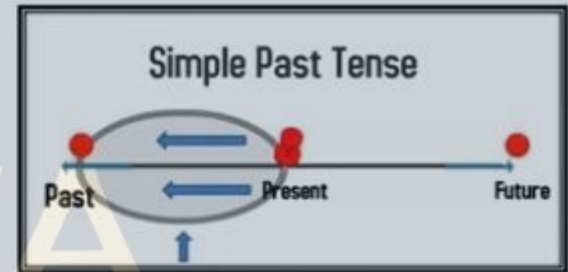
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Did you need a doctor?

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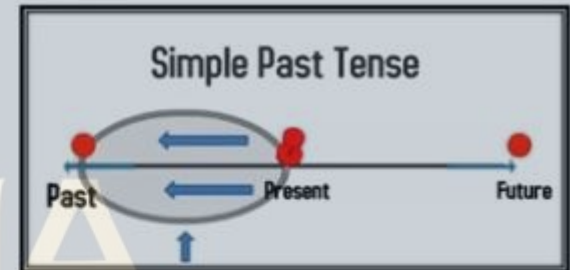
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Did she live in London?

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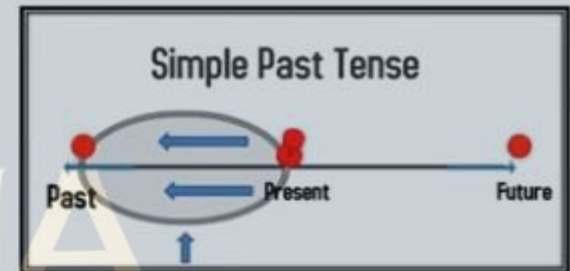
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Did they arrive on time?

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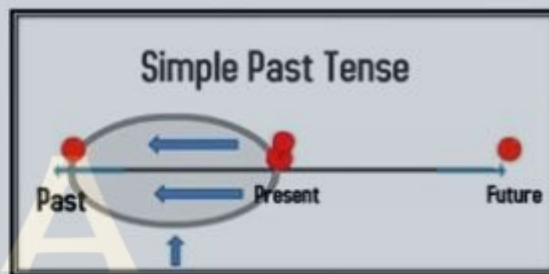
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When did they buy that
car?

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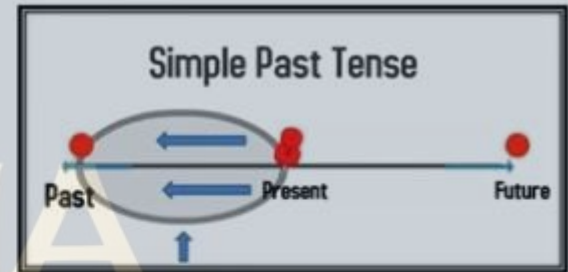
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**When did you speak to
Jane?**

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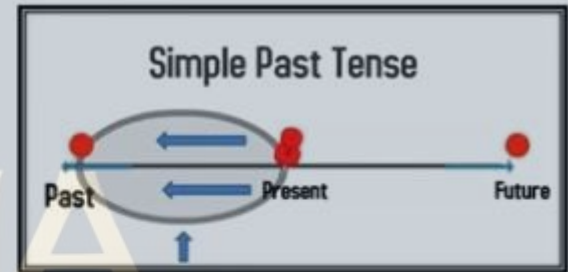
Questions Sentences



**Did you sleep well last
night?**

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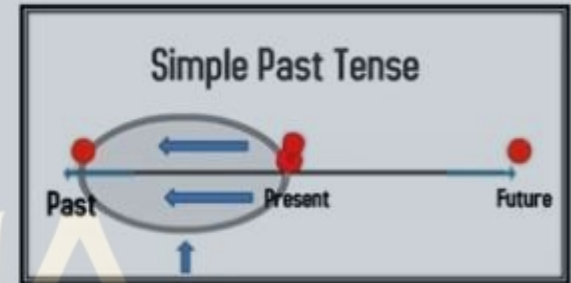
Questions Sentences



**Did you sleep well last
night?**

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Questions Sentences

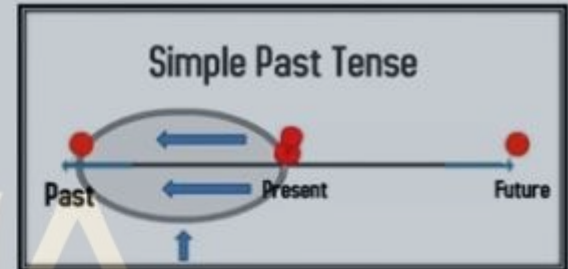


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Did you live abroad?

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Questions Sentences



**How did you sleep last
night?**

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c) Questions – simple past

Subject	+ verb	+ object
I, You, We, They, He, She, It, Sam (Name)	(did) Ex: sing	song
Example :		
i) I sang a song.	i) Did I sing a song?	
ii) You sang a song.	ii) Did you sing a song?	
iii) We sang a song.	iii) Did we sing a song?	
iv) They sang a song.	iv) Did they sing a song?	
v) He sang a song.	v) Did he sing a song?	
vi) She sang a song.	vi) Did she sing a song?	
vii) It sang a song.	vii) Did it sing a song?	
viii) Sam sang a song.	viii) Did Sam sing a song?	

Match the present tense verb with the past tense verb



do	•	•	saw
go	•	•	made
see	•	•	played
eat	•	•	did
watch	•	•	studied
play	•	•	cooked
study	•	•	went
make	•	•	watched
cook	•	•	read
read	•	•	ate

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Add the past tense verbs to complete the sentences

called

walked

kicked

watched

washed

opened

cooked

jumped

1. I _____ the ball.

2. He _____ to school.

3. She _____ the door.

4. It _____ over the wall.

5. We _____ the dishes.

6. You _____ the television.

7. They _____ dinner.

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Write the correct past tense form of the word

Add

Like

Help

Blink

Melt

Move

Talk

Walk

Smile

Save

Fly

Keep

Take

Pay

Sit

Dig

Fall

Sleep

Lose

Find



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Past simple tense – Positive and negative sentences

Example: She **saw** her grandparents,
she **didn't see** her aunt.

	Jack (eat) a sandwich. He (not eat) pizza.
	James (fly) to America. He (not fly) to Australia.
	Jim (take) some medicine. He (not take) any pills.
	I (go) to school. I (not go) to the park.
	Tom (lose) his book. He (not lose) his bag.
	He (see) himself in a mirror. He (not see) you in a mirror.

Simple past tense – Irregular verbs

1. Write the past of the verbs.

swim

teach

draw

fight

bring

go

do

ride

2. Use the simple past of the verb to fill in the blanks below.

Lucia _____ a horse.

Amy _____ in the river.

Mary _____ a beautiful car.

Peter _____ a kite yesterday.



Simple past tense - Negatives

I		
You		
He		
She	played	tennis.
It		
We		
They		

I			
You			
He			
She	didn't	play	tennis.
It			
We			
They			

didn't = did not



- Write the sentences below in their negative forms. Study the boxes above.

1. He went to school yesterday.

He didn't go to school yesterday.

2. They ate lunch at the cafeteria.

3. My sister played basketball with her friends.

4. I read a newspaper on the train.

5. It rained last week.

6. I felt sick, so I saw a doctor.

7. Thomas had a good time at the party.

8. Susan liked the movie.

9. I saw you at the shopping mall on Saturday.

10. My wife bought a new hat this morning.

Choose the correct negative sentence in past

1. George **didn't wanted** / **didn't want** to be a doctor.
2. We **did not understand** / **didn't understood** you.
3. I **did finish** / **didn't finish** my homework.
4. **Did she called** / **She didn't call** me.
5. The gardener **water didn't** / **didn't water** the flowers.
6. Wilma **did not go** / **did go** to shopping.
7. Fernando **did missed** / **didn't miss** the bus.
8. My brother **did not watch** / **did watch not** TV.



Simple past tense – Negative sentences and questions



A) Turn the sentences into negative sentences

1) Clare played tennis this weekend. (-)

2) David washed his car on Saturday. (-)

3) All the students answered the questions. (-)

4) Marta waited for the bus. (-)

5) Dorothy invited me to her birthday party. (-)

B) Turn the sentences into questions

6) Kate finished her homework. (?)

7) Elisa called Sue to go out. (?)

8) John watched TV all the day. (?)

9) Alex washed the dishes. (?)

10) Julia cleaned the entire house this morning. (?)



Write each verb in past tense

1. Ted _____ all the exercises. (complete)
2. The cat _____ the mouse. (chase)
3. The boys _____ loudly. (laugh)
4. Did you _____ the movie? (watch)
5. I didn't _____ a play yesterday. (see)
6. Preethi _____ her car. (wash)
7. Michael _____ hard all year. (study)
8. I _____ my meeting for tomorrow. (cancel)