

## PAST SIMPLE. EXTRA PRACTICE

### 1. Complete the text with the right form of the PAST SIMPLE

It ..... (be) Sunday yesterday and I ..... (be) really bored. I ..... (watch) a video in the afternoon. Then, at six o'clock, I ..... (phone) my best friend, Mike, and I ..... (invite) him to my house. He ..... (arrive) at seven o'clock with three other friends. We ..... (listen) to music and ..... (dance) in the living room. Then, Mike ..... (drop) a glass of orange juice on the floor. We ..... (try) to clean it, but it ..... (be) impossible. Finally, we ..... (move) the sofa to cover the orange mark.

### 2. MORE REGULAR VERBS. Write the past of these verbs

Like	prefer	carry	play
Open	travel	love	plan
Empty	regret	quarrel	try
Die	cry	smoke	enjoy
Stop	hate	laugh	finish

### 3. Complete the sentences with the right form of the PAST SIMPLE. Use the following verbs

give	write	drink	sit	take
sing	have	come	make	cry
carry	need	walk		

1. My mum ..... me some money for the bus.
2. Jake ..... a new friend at school last week.
3. Fifty people ..... to my birthday party.
4. Cervantes ..... the book Don Quixote.
5. I ..... a litre of Cola this morning.
6. Clare ..... her pet hamster to school yesterday.
7. Ricky Martin ..... Living la Vida Loca.
8. I ..... opposite a famous TV actor on the train.
9. My children ..... All night. They were sick.
10. The holidaymakers ..... their own luggage.
11. My mother ..... some eggs, so I ..... to the shop to buy some.

### 4. Write in the NEGATIVE

1. Jane had a sandwich for lunch.
2. Terry forgot his homework.
3. I could do the homework easily.
4. Mr. Moore drove very fast.
5. He put his passport in his pocket.
6. We were late for the train.
7. Kate wore a red dress at my party.
8. Kamala saw Vince with another girl.
9. Marge waited for two hours.
10. Grey studied hard last night.

### 5. Read what Lucy did yesterday. Then complete the questions in the past simple and write the appropriate short answers

woke up at 3 o'clock - late!  
 Went to school by bus  
 Had a Geography test- difficult!  
 Wrote an essay about Greenland  
 Sat next to Rick at lunch  
 Watched a video

Example: *Did Lucy wake up at 6 o'clock?*

*No, she didn't. She woke up at 8 o'clock.*

1. .... to school by bus?  
.....
2. .... a Geography test?  
.....
3. .... an essay about Italy?  
.....
4. .... next to Rick at lunch?  
.....
5. .... a TV programme?  
.....

**6. In Japan. Read each answer. Then write the question.**

- A: .....?  
B: My sister lived in northern Japan.  
A: .....?  
B: She lived there for two years.  
A: .....?  
B: She was an English teacher.  
A: .....?  
B: Yes, she had a lot of students.  
A: .....?  
B: Yes, she liked her classes a lot.  
A: .....?  
B: She visited her parents in the United States twice.  
A: .....?  
B: No, she didn't miss life in the United States at all.  
A: .....?  
B: Yes, she missed her family.

**7. Complete the questions and answers**

e.g. Where / go to school? I / London.

*Where did you go to school? I went to school in London.*

1. When / leave school? I / 25 years ago.
2. How old / you? I / 15.
3. What / you wear? I / school uniform.
4. How strict / teachers? They / very strict.
5. How much homework / have? We / a lot.
6. ... / girls / wear jewellery? No / ...
7. ... / boys / your school? No / ...
8. ... / school food good? No / ...

**8. Make questions for the following answers**

1. She wore jeans and a T-shirt.
2. It was Richard's party.
3. It began at about 9 o'clock.
4. Lara met an English boy.
5. His name was Mark.
6. She spoke English.
7. She came home by taxi.
8. Nathalie knew about it.
9. I went with Nathalie.
10. We ate a lot of peaches.

9. Ask the question to go with these answers. Begin your question with **HOW LONG AGO**

1. They opened their shop two years ago.
2. Lucy learnt to drive four months ago.
3. My father gave up smoking last month.
4. He had his hair cut last week.
5. The pilot first flew the Concorde five years ago.

10. Fill in the blanks with the **PAST SIMPLE** form of the verbs in brackets. Include the negative and question forms

1. Tom .....the book, but Mary ..... Her gloves. ....  
(Bill) his keys? (find)
2. Charles Dickens ..... Hamlet- Shakespeare ..... it. Who  
.....Vanity Fair? (write)
3. We ..... over \$1,000 on our holiday! I don't suppose you ..... as  
much as that. How much ..... (you)? (spend)
4. When we .....at Cannes, we .....at the Grand Hotel. I know you  
..... there. Where ..... (you)? (stay)
5. At school we ..... French, but we ..... German. Which  
languages ..... (you)? (learn)

**READING AND WRITING**

1. Read the biography and complete the notes

*Jessica Simpson*

Jessica Simpson is a young American singer. She was born in July 1980, in Dallas, Texas. AT the age of twelve, Jessica entered a talent competition on TV. She didn't win a prize because there were a lot of other good singers in the competition that year. For example, an 11-year-old girl called Britney Spears, and a 12-year-old girl called Christina Aguilera!

Jessica's professional music career began when she was 18. In 1998, Jessica recorded her first album, 'Sweet kisses'. The album became very successful. Her first single, 'I wanna love you forever', was a hit in the USA and Europe. In 1999, Jessica went on tour.

Paragraph 1: Early years

Name: Jessica Simpson

Born: .....

Early Experience: entered a ....

Paragraph 2: Career

First album: 19 ....., '.....'

First single: '.....'

First tour: 19....

2. Write Enrique Iglesias's biography using the notes below. Exercise 1 can be the model

Paragraph 1: Early years

Name: Enrique Iglesias

Born: May, 1975, in Madrid

Early experience: at the age of four: took part in a musical at school.

Paragraph 2: Career

First album: 1995, 'Enrique Iglesias'

First single: 'Bailamos'

First tour: 1997, Europe, Latin America and the USA

93 Put the verbs in brackets into the correct tense.

1. He often brings (bring) me flowers.  
2. (you / meet) Paul yesterday?  
3. Father (work) in the garden now.  
4. What (you / do) at the moment?  
5. Mr Jones (paint) his house last month.  
6. She (go) to school on foot every day.  
7. It (be) hot yesterday.  
8. The baby (not / sleep) now.  
9. He never (drive) fast.  
10. She (leave) Paris in 1987.

Short answers	Yes	No	didn't
you/he/she/it	Yes	No	didn't
we/you/they	Yes	No	didn't

94 Ask and answer as in the example :

	go for a walk	play golf	write a letter	wash the car
Peter	✓	✓		
Sally		✓	✓	
Mr & Mrs Page	✓			
You				✓

Did Peter play golf yesterday? Yes, he did.

1. Peter / play golf?  
2. Peter / wash the car?  
3. Peter / write a letter?  
4. Sally / go for a walk?  
5. Sally / play golf?  
6. Sally / wash the car?  
7. Mr & Mrs Page / play golf?  
8. Mr & Mrs Page / write a letter?

Now write short paragraphs as in the example :

1. Peter went for a walk and played golf. He didn't write a letter or wash the car.  
2. Sally  
3. Mr and Mrs Page  
4. I

95 Put the verbs in brackets into the "Past Simple".

- Pamela : What 1) did you do (you / do) last weekend?  
Tony : I 2) (go) to my cousin's house.  
Pamela : 3) (be) it far?  
Tony : No, it only 4) (take) us 30 minutes.  
Pamela : 5) (you / stay) there long?  
Tony : We 6) (stay) only for the weekend.  
What 7) (you / do) last weekend?  
Pamela : My family and I 8) (take) the dog and we  
9) (have) a picnic on the beach.  
Tony : 10) (be) it sunny?  
Pamela : Yes, the sun 11) (shine) all day.



96 Put the verbs in brackets into the "Past Simple".

- Bryan Adams comes from Canada. He 1) left (leave) school at sixteen and  
2) (work) as a gardener. He 3) (start) his career  
as a singer at the age of eighteen. He 4) (work) hard then.  
He only 5) (become) famous in 1987 when he 6) (make)  
his first album which he 7) (call) "Reckless". After "Reckless" no one  
8) (hear) about him for a while, until 1991 when he 9) (sing)  
"Everything I Do, I Do It for You" which 10) (be) a great success. After that he  
11) (go) on a world tour. Today, Bryan Adams is back in Canada enjoying his success.

97 Put the verbs in brackets into the "Present Simple" or "Past Simple".

- Tommy Brown 1) is (be) a real story-teller. No one  
2) (believe) what he 3) (tell) lies. He  
(say) because he always 4) (live) in a small village and 6)  
5) (work) on a farm near his village.  
One night last week Tommy 7) (finish) work late. It  
8) (be) dark and cold. Suddenly he 9) (hear)  
a strange noise so he 10) (look) up. It 11)  
(be) a UFO with bright flashing lights. It 12)  
(come down) towards him and he 13) (see) two green  
men looking at him. He 14) (scream), 15)  
(drop) his bag and 16) (run away).  
When he 17) (arrive) at the village he 18)  
(meet) some villagers and 19) (start) to tell them  
the news but they all 20) (laugh) at him.  
No one 21) (believe) Tommy.

