

23 Past events

Some verbs are regular in the past simple. You can use a lot of them to talk about the past week, the last year, or your life. Their past simple forms ends in "-ed."

 **New language** Regular verbs in the past simple

 **Vocabulary** Pastimes and life events

 **New skill** Talking about your past

23.1 KEY LANGUAGE REGULAR VERBS IN THE PAST SIMPLE

The past simple describes events that happened in the past. The past simple forms of regular verbs end in "-ed." The negative uses "did not" plus the base form.

The verb ends in "-ed."
I visited Luke last Friday.

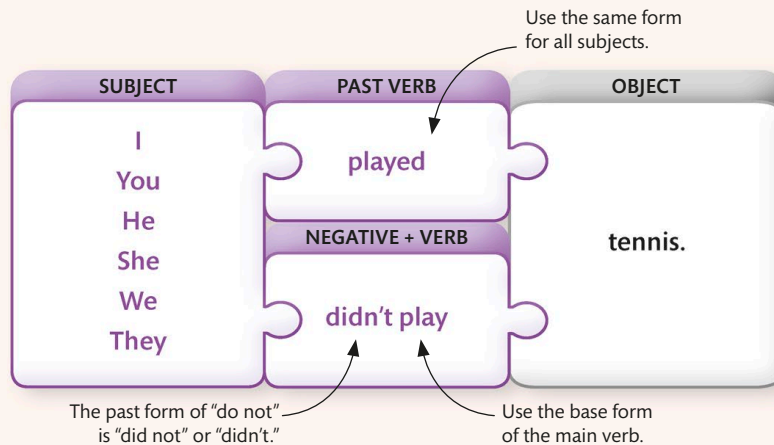


He didn't play tennis last night.



23.2 HOW TO FORM REGULAR VERBS IN THE PAST SIMPLE

The past forms of most verbs do not change with the subject. Use the past simple of "do" plus the base verb to form negative statements.



23.3 FURTHER EXAMPLES REGULAR VERBS IN THE PAST SIMPLE

He walked to the office.



Questions are formed using "did" + subject + the base form of the verb.

Did they work late?



She didn't walk downtown.




We didn't watch TV today.





23.4 FILL IN THE GAPS BY PUTTING THE VERBS IN THE PAST SIMPLE

Last Friday, I cooked (cook ) a meal for my friends.

① The music was good, but I _____ (not dance ) very much.

② My friend _____ (not listen ) to the band on Saturday night.

③ Last week, I _____ (clean ) my brother's new car for him.

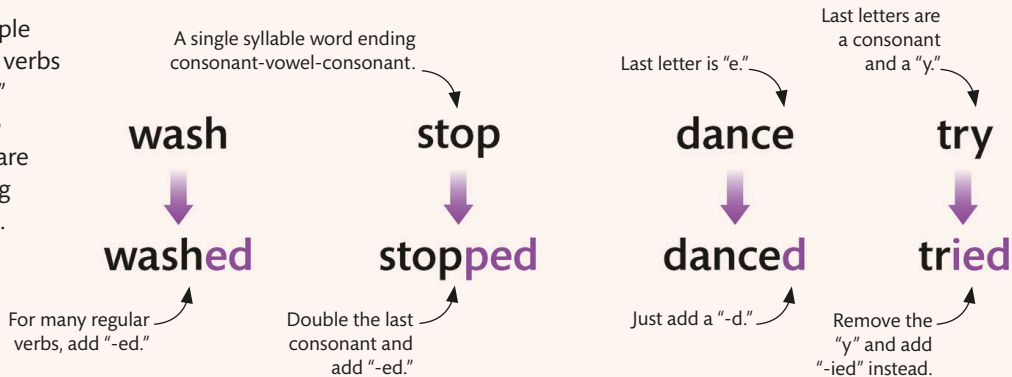
④ Did you _____ (watch ) a fun movie last night?

⑤ Ben and Franklin _____ (play ) tennis for five hours yesterday.



23.5 KEY LANGUAGE SPELLING RULES FOR THE PAST SIMPLE

The past simple of all regular verbs ends in "-ed," but for some verbs, there are some spelling changes, too.



23.6 FURTHER EXAMPLES SPELLING RULES FOR THE PAST SIMPLE

He **carried** the bags for her.



We **arrived** here at midnight.



I **studied** English last year.



They **saved** money for a vacation.





23.7 LOOK AT JOYCE'S DIARY FROM LAST WEEK AND FILL IN THE GAPS TO COMPLETE THE SENTENCES

WEEKLY PLANNER

MONDAY

Evening: watch movie on TV

TUESDAY

Morning: play squash

Afternoon: phone my boss

WEDNESDAY

try sushi at Japanese restaurant

THURSDAY

Morning: clean the bathroom

Night: visit Aziz in hospital

FRIDAY

invite friends to my birthday party

SATURDAY

walk in the park

SUNDAY

cook dinner for my parents

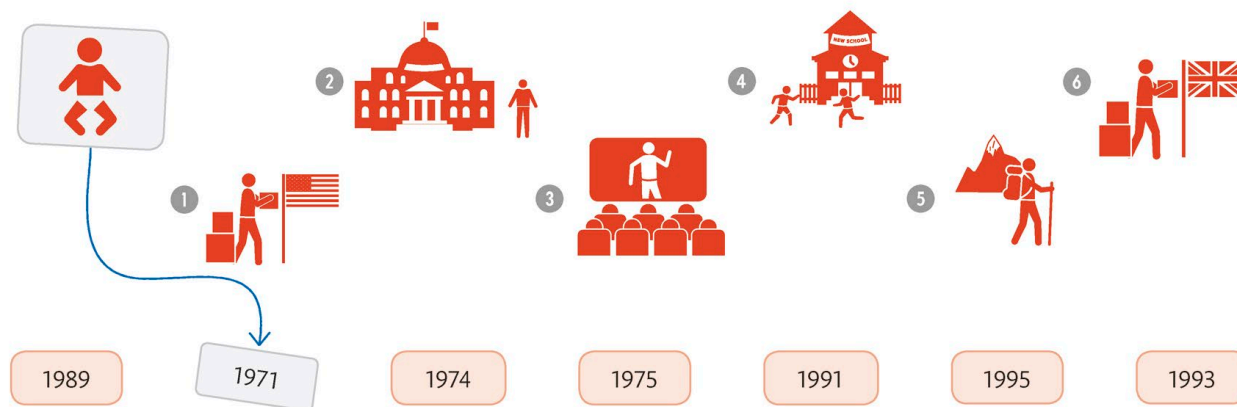
On Monday evening, Joyce watched a movie on TV.

- 1 On Tuesday morning, she _____ squash.
- 2 On Tuesday afternoon, she _____ her boss.
- 3 On Wednesday, she _____ sushi at a Japanese restaurant.
- 4 On Thursday morning, she _____ the bathroom.
- 5 On Thursday night, she _____ Aziz in hospital.
- 6 On Friday, she _____ friends to her birthday party.
- 7 On Saturday, she _____ in the park.
- 8 On Sunday, she _____ dinner for her parents.



23.8 LISTEN TO THE AUDIO AND MATCH THE EVENTS TO THE YEARS

Arno describes his life so far.
He mentions important events and
the years in which they happened.



23.9 KEY LANGUAGE USING "WHEN" WITH THE PAST SIMPLE

To say when in someone's life something happened, you can either use "in" with the year, or "when" with the person's age.

This is the past simple action.
He moved to England in 1990.



He moved to England when he was 10 years old.

This describes when in the past it happened.



23.10 REWRITE THE SENTENCES ADDING "WHEN" CLAUSES



I started school (four years old).

= I started school when I was four years old.



1 She moved to the US (19 years old).

= _____



2 They started swimming (25 years old).

= _____



3 We visited Japan (27 years old).

= _____



4 I received this gift (31 years old).

= _____



23.11 LOOK AT LEONA'S LIFE EVENTS, THEN DESCRIBE EACH ONE OUT LOUD



BORN

1988

She was born in 1988.



MOVE TO NEW YORK

1996

1



VISIT ASIA

2008

2



START FIRST JOB

2010

3



23 CHECKLIST



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