

# 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

 **Aa 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.**

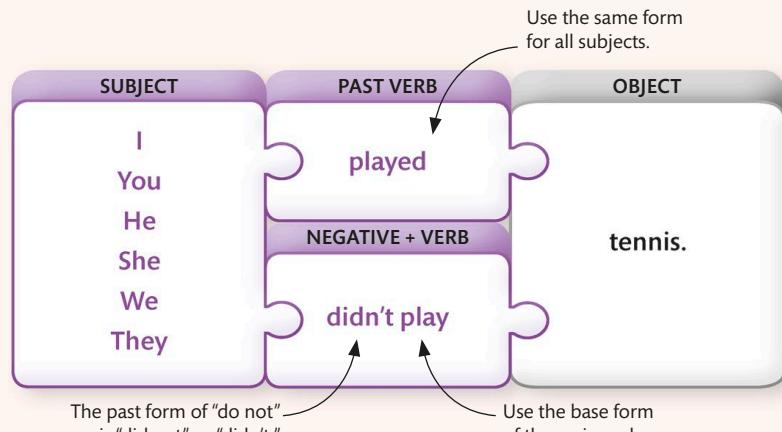


**He didn't play tennis last night.**



## 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.**



**Did they work late?**



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

**She didn't walk downtown.**



**We didn't watch TV today.**







### 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

SDAY  
Morning: play squash

Afternoon: phone my boss

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## WEDNESDAY

try sushi at  
Japanese restaurant

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**THURSDAY**

Morning: clean the bathroom

Night: visit Aziz in hospital

**FRIDAY**

invite friends to  
my birthday party

## SATURDAY

walk in the park

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## SUNDAY

cook dinner for my parents

On Monday evening, Joyce watched a movie on TV.

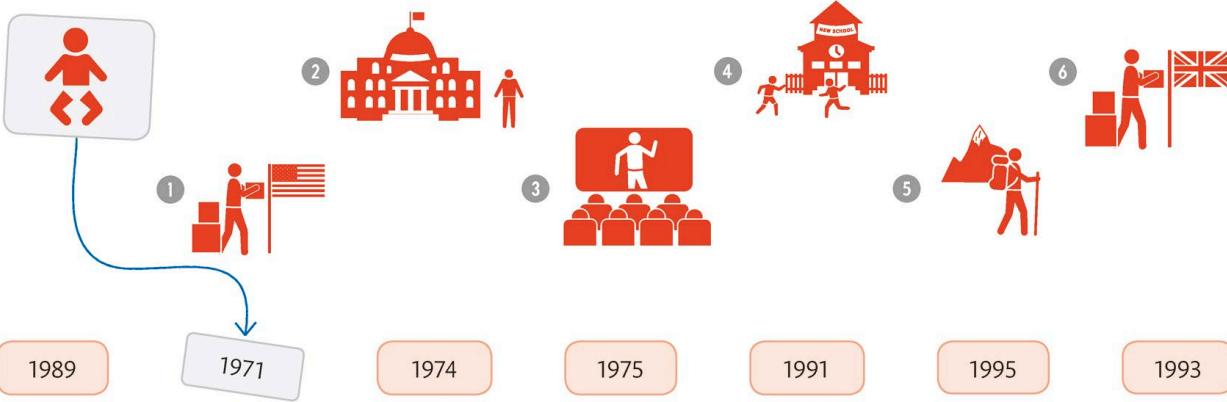
- 1 On Tuesday morning, she \_\_\_\_\_ squash.
- 2 On Tuesday afternoon, she \_\_\_\_\_ her boss.
- 3 On Wednesday, she \_\_\_\_\_ sushi at a Japanese restaurant.
- 4 On Thursday morning, she \_\_\_\_\_ the bathroom.
- 5 On Thursday night, she \_\_\_\_\_ Aziz in hospital.
- 6 On Friday, she \_\_\_\_\_ 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.



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

= \_\_\_\_\_



They started swimming **(25 years old)**.

= \_\_\_\_\_



We visited Japan **(27 years old)**.

= \_\_\_\_\_



I received this gift **(31 years old)**.

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



BORN

1988



MOVE TO NEW YORK

1996



VISIT ASIA

2008



START FIRST JOB

2010

She was born in 1988.

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## 23 ✓ CHECKLIST

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