

## PAST SIMPLE

Form: we add "ed" to all regular verbs,  
*Irregular verbs must be learnt by heart.*

We use the Past Simple for something in the past which is finished.

- He **played** tennis **yesterday**.
- The children **went** to the park **this morning**.

We use "did" to make questions and "didn't" for negatives. The verb stays in the base form.

- **Did you see** Bob yesterday?
- They **didn't come** to the party on Sunday.

## PRESENT PERFECT

Form: **has/have + past participle**

We use the present perfect for an action in the past with a result now or when we talk about a time from the past until now.

- **I've lost** my glasses. (I can't find them now)
- **I've been** to Spain, but I haven't been to Portugal.

We use: **hasn't/haven't + past participle** for negatives:

- John **hasn't seen** the film.

We use: **has/have + subject + past participle** for questions:

- **Have you seen** Jane today?

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**Complete the sentences using the correct form of the verbs**

1. I \_\_\_\_\_ (see) the twins in town last week.
2. \_\_\_\_\_ (you/ever/meet) her brother?
3. Where \_\_\_\_\_ (you/be) last weekend?
4. \_\_\_\_\_ (you/see) Kathleen?
5. We \_\_\_\_\_ (not/go) on holiday last year.
6. I love clothes. I \_\_\_\_\_ (buy) a lot this year.
7. What \_\_\_\_\_ (you/do) last weekend?
8. Dad \_\_\_\_\_ (repair) the car, you can use it now.
9. Agatha Christie \_\_\_\_\_ (live) from 1890 to 1976.
10. Granny still \_\_\_\_\_ (not/find) her glasses.
11. Where \_\_\_\_\_ (you/buy) your laptop?
12. Oh! You \_\_\_\_\_ (paint) the kitchen, I like the colour.
13. What time \_\_\_\_\_ (you/get) home last night?
14. Emma! Your letter \_\_\_\_\_ (arrive) at last!
15. The weather \_\_\_\_\_ (be) good all week.
16. I \_\_\_\_\_ (finish) work early yesterday.
17. Sue's not here, she \_\_\_\_\_ (go) out.
18. The weather \_\_\_\_\_ (not/be) very good last week.
19. We \_\_\_\_\_ (be) to the cinema twice this month.

## KEY

1. I saw the twins in town last week.
2. Have you ever met her brother?
3. Where were you last weekend?
4. Have you seen Kathleen?
5. We didn't go on holiday last year.
6. I love clothes. I've bought a lot this year.
7. What did you do last weekend?
8. Dad has repaired the car, you can use it now.
9. Agatha Christie lived from 1890 to 1976.
10. Granny still hasn't found her glasses.
11. Where did you buy your laptop?
12. Oh! You've painted the kitchen, I like the colour.
13. What time did you get home last night?
14. Emma! Your letter has arrived at last!
15. The weather has been good all week.
16. I finished work early yesterday.
17. Sue's not here, she's gone out.
18. The weather wasn't very good last week.
19. We've been to the cinema twice this month.
20. Brian lived in England until the age of 14.