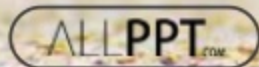


# The Past Simple tense

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# The Past Simple Tense (also called the simple past tense)



## Simple Past Tense

VERB + “ed” or it’s irregular (e.g. eat > ate)

Completed  
activity

Past

Present

Future

# The Past Simple with 'be'

Positive with 'be'	Negative with 'be'	Negative Short Form
I <b>was</b> cold	I <b>was</b> not sleepy	I <b>wasn't</b> sleepy
you <b>were</b> tired	you <b>were</b> not on the bus	you <b>weren't</b> on the bus
he <b>was</b> in the garden	he <b>was</b> not at school	he <b>wasn't</b> at school
she <b>was</b> late	she <b>was</b> not beautiful	she <b>wasn't</b> beautiful
it <b>was</b> sunny	it <b>was</b> not cold	it <b>wasn't</b> cold
we <b>were</b> on holiday	we <b>were</b> not at work	we <b>weren't</b> at work
they <b>were</b> hungry	they <b>were</b> not tired	they <b>weren't</b> tired

# The Past Simple with 'be'

## 'Yes / No' Questions with 'Be'

**was** I sleepy?

**were** you late?

**was** he at the cinema?

**was** she kind?

**was** it hot?

**were** we hungry?

**were** they at work?

## 'Wh' Questions with 'Be'

why **was** I sleepy?

where **were** you?

when **was** he at the cinema?

how **was** she?

how **was** it?

why **were** we hungry?

when **were** they at work?



# What is a Verb?

A verb is  
a word o  
f action!

Regular Verbs

Irregular verbs

# Past Simple

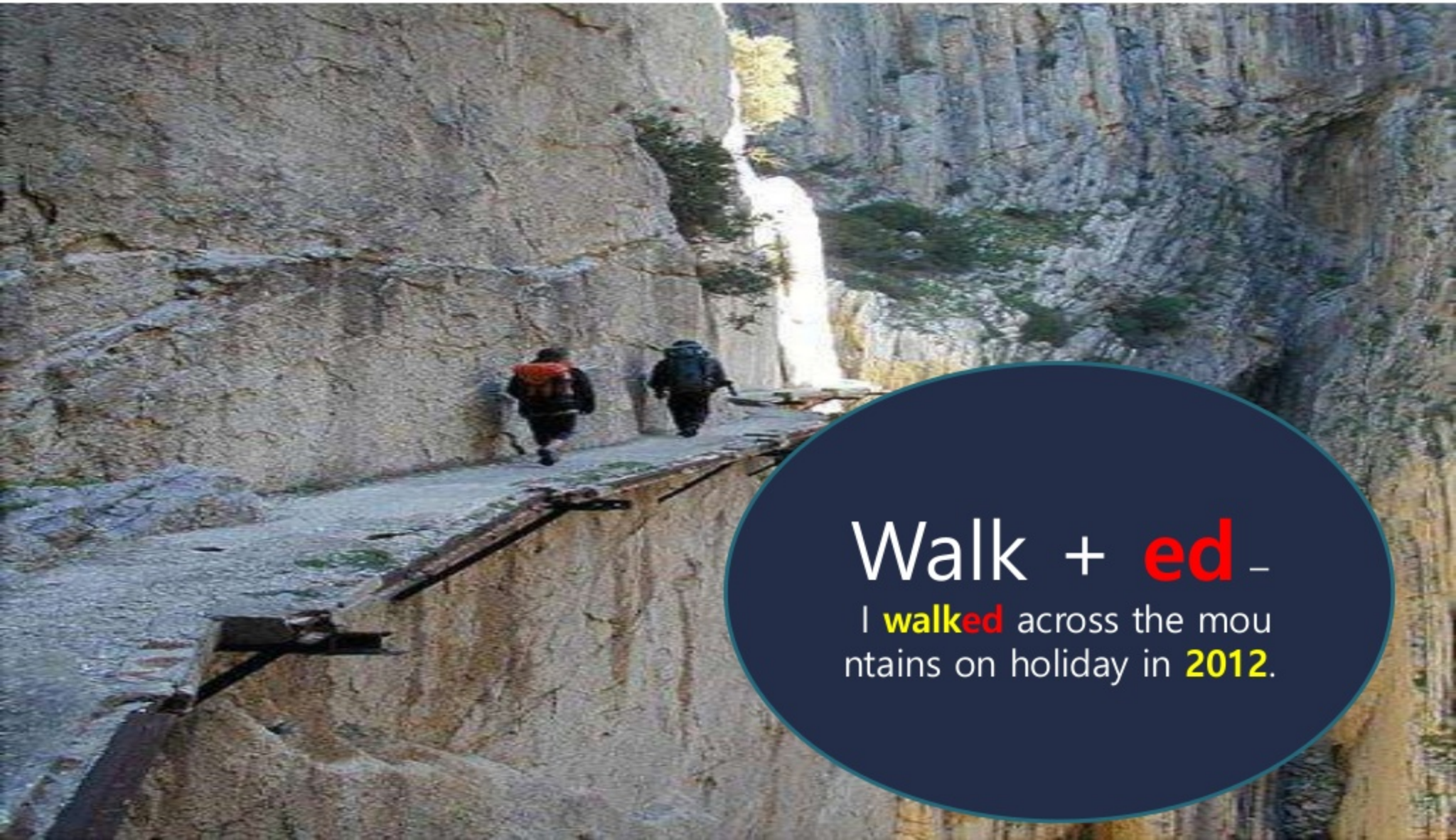
What did you do today?



I washed  
my hands.



# Regular Verbs – remain the same, but we add “ed”



Walk + **ed** –

I **walked** across the mountains on holiday in **2012**.

**Write the past simple of these regular verbs.  
Careful with the pronunciation of ed.**

pronunciation	verb	Past simple	verb	Past simple
/t/	cook	cooked	watch	watched
/d/	play	played	listen	Listened
/id/	start	started	want	wanted



# The final ED pronunciation



## Pronunciation of ED



**/id/**

T wanted  
D needed

**\* Voiced Sound**  
= uses the vocal  
cords and they  
produce a vibration  
or humming sound  
in the throat.

*(Touch your throat to feel it)*

**/t/**

P helped  
K looked  
F sniffed  
GH laughed  
SH washed  
CH watched  
SS kissed  
C danced  
X fixed

**VOICELESS**

**/d/**

L called  
N cleaned  
R offered  
G damaged  
V loved  
S used  
Z amazed  
B rubbed  
M claimed

**VOICED \***

Words that end in a **vowel sound** use the **/d/** pronunciation for ED.  
e.g. -- followed -- enjoyed -- played -- tried -- continued

The pronunciation  
of words ending in  
ED depends on the  
final **consonant**  
**sound**. There are  
three ways to  
pronounce ED at  
the end of a word  
in English:

**/id/ /t/ /d/**

# Past simple

What did you do today?



I read  
a book.



# Irregular Verbs



Change



Run

Present



Ran

Past



# Irregular Verbs



Run

Present

they **run** fast!

They **ran** at 7:30  
am!

# Affirmative sentences and Negative sentences in the *Simple Past* – *regular/ irregular verbs*



	Long forms	Contracted forms
I <b>cleaned</b> my room.	I <b>did not clean</b> the room.	I <b>didn't clean</b> the room.
You <b>cleaned</b> your room.	You <b>did not clean</b> the room.	You <b>didn't clean</b> the room.
He <b>cleaned</b> his room.	He <b>did not clean</b> the room.	He <b>didn't clean</b> the room.

# Questions with question words in *Simple Past*



Question word	Auxiliary	Subject	Verb	Rest	Answer
What	did	you	play	yesterday evening?	I played computer games.
When	did	she	meet	her father?	She met him yesterday.
Where	did	they	go	after the match?	They went to a café.



# What are signal words for the *Simple Past*?



➔ These words tell you what tense you have to use. For the *Simple Past* these are expressions of time in the past:

yesterday

last week

a month ago

in 2010

this morning

➔ Here are some examples:

What did you do in your last holidays?

His parents married in 2004.

I didn't text my friend yesterday.

# Complete the conversation



A: Hi, Rick. **did** you have a good weekend?

B: Yes, I **did**. Thanks.

A: What \_\_\_ (do) you do yesterday?

B: well, I got up early and \_\_\_ (play) tennis with some friends.

A: you \_\_\_ (get) up early on Sunday!

B: well, yes, it was such a lovely day.

A: where \_\_\_ (do) you \_\_\_ (play) tennis?

B: In the park. We \_\_\_ (have) lunch in the café there.

A: Oh, great! \_\_\_ (do) you \_\_\_ (get) out in the evening?

B: No, I didn't. I \_\_\_ (cook) a meal for my sister.

A: Mmm, what \_\_\_ (do) you \_\_\_ (have)

B: A roast beef. It was delicious! What about you Angie? Did you have a good weekend?

# Complete the conversation



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A: you **got** up early on Sunday!

B: well, yes, it was such a lovely day.

A: where **did** you **play** tennis?

B: In the park. We **had** lunch in the café there.

A: Oh, great! **Did** you **get** out in the evening?

B: No, I didn't. I **cooked** a meal for my sister.

A: Mmm, what **did** you **have** ?

B: A roast beef. It was delicious! What about you Angie? Did you have a good weekend?



# Complete Rick's questions



What about you Angie? Did you have a good weekend?

1. what / do on Saturday ?

→ what did you do on Saturday ?

2. who / see at the party ?

→ who did you see at the party ?

3. .. Go out / Sunday?

→ did you go out on Sunday ?

4. .. Do anything / Sunday evening?

→ did you do anything on Sunday evening?

# Complete the negatives

1. I \_ go out because I was too tired.
2. I \_ \_ do much on Sunday.
3. I \_ go to bed late.
4. They \_ go to work.
5. we \_ watch TV.



# Complete the negatives

1. I **didn't** go out because I was too tired.
2. I **did not** do much on Sunday.
3. I **didn't** go to bed late.
4. They **didn't** go to work.
5. we **didn't** watch TV.





Thank you  
for your  
attention

