

Past simple example sentences

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1. Fiona: "Where **did** you **go** during the summer holidays?"

Andrea: "We **went** to Greece. It was fabulous!"



2. It **was** roasting so I **took** off my coat.

3. The party **lasted** 10 hours. We **got** home at around 3am and **slept** straight away.

4. Jason: "Where **did** you **learn** how to play the guitar?"

Arron: "My older brother **gave** me lessons last year, then I **found** a private tutor."

5. Ryan: "**Did** you **visit** the Statue of Liberty in New York?"

Patrick: "Of course we **did**! It **was** incredible.

6. Steve Jobs **created** Apple in 1976. He **started** the company in his garage.

7. Daniel is extremely busy, so I **didn't disturb** him.

8. When you **were** at school, **were** you a good student?

9. Laura **spent** so much money last weekend. She **bought** a really expensive dress and new shoes.

10. The lady **fell** over and **broke** her arm. She **went** to the hospital in an ambulance.



11. As we **relaxed** on the grass, the birds **flew** above us in the clear blue sky. It **was** so peaceful.

12. **Did** you **see** Tony today? He **borrowed** one of my books but **didn't return** it to me.

13. In many people's eyes, Muhammed Ali **was** the greatest boxer ever.

14. How **was** the weather in Barcelona? **Did** you **see** any of Gaudi's gorgeous architecture?

15. The meal we **had** at the new Italian restaurant **was** delicious, and it **didn't cost** much.

16. The roads **were** so icy this morning, so I **didn't drive** to work. I **walked** instead.

17. Eric: "What **did** you **do** at the weekend?"

Justine: "Jack and I **took** a short trip to Cornwall. We **stayed** there for one night and then **came** back the next day."



18. Man first **landed** on the moon in 1969. It **was** an amazing feat of human ingenuity.

19. Ronaldo **shot** from outside the penalty box and **scored** an incredible goal which **won** the match.

20. I wonder, **was** Shakespeare a good English student at school?

21. Brad: "**Did** you **remember** to give the camera back to Mark?"

Norma: "Oh no! I **forgot**. I'll drive to his place and give it to him now."

22. I just **remembered**! Gary **told** me that he can't come today because he has a doctor appointment.

23. The Mona Lisa **was** an impressive painting to see, but I **imagined** it to be much bigger.

24. Bill Gates **set** up his foundation in 2000, which donates huge sums of money to the poor and needy.

25. Bella **ate** a huge breakfast this morning. She **didn't eat** lunch or dinner because she **was** so full.

26. We **are** so sorry we **didn't have** time to visit you. We **were** extremely busy.

27. People say that Christopher Columbus '**discovered**' America. In reality, he **was** simply the first European to visit.

28. The show we **went** to last night **was** quite dull. The singers **didn't sing** very well, and the dancers **weren't** very impressive.

29. I once **skied** down a very difficult slope, and I **fell** and **broke** my leg. I **didn't go** skiing for a long time after that.



30. Ryan and Chris **climbed** a mountain yesterday. They **were** exhausted this morning so they **didn't want** to come.