

What is Past Simple Tense?

Worksheet

Past simple tense describes completed actions or facts in the past. Regular: base + -ed (walked, played). Irregular: changed forms (went, ate, was). Use: 'I walked to school yesterday.'

Questions

1. Which sentence uses past simple correctly?

- A) I go to the park yesterday.
- B) I went to the park yesterday.
- C) I am going to the park yesterday.
- D) I have gone to the park yesterday.

2. What is the past simple of 'eat'?

- A) eated
- B) eted
- C) ate
- D) eating

3. How do you form a question in past simple?

- A) Did you go?
- B) You did go?
- C) Went you?
- D) You go?

4. Correct the negative: 'She didn't went to school.'

- A) 'She didn't go to school.'
- B) 'She went not to school.'
- C) 'She not went to school.'
- D) 'She didn't went.'

5. Make a past simple sentence: 'She / go / to the cinema / last night'.

6. Form a negative past simple: 'They / not see / the film'.

7. Form a question: 'What / eat / you / for breakfast yesterday?'

8. Define: What is past simple tense?

9. Define: How do you form regular past simple?

10. Define: Name five irregular past simple verbs.

Answer Key

1. B) I went to the park yesterday. — 'I went to the park yesterday' is past simple. 'Went' is the past form; 'yesterday' confirms past time.
2. C) ate — 'Ate' is the irregular past form of 'eat'. Regular verbs add -ed; irregular verbs change completely.
3. A) Did you go? — 'Did + subject + base verb' forms a past simple question: 'Did you go?'
4. A) 'She didn't go to school.' — After 'did/didn't', use the base verb form, not past. 'She didn't go' is correct.
5. Subject: She Verb (past): went (irregular) Sentence: 'She went to the cinema last night.' Time marker: 'last night' confirms past.
6. Subject: They Negative form: did not see (or didn't see) Sentence: 'They didn't see the film.'
7. Question structure: Did + subject + base verb + object Sentence: 'What did you eat for breakfast yesterday?' Answer: 'I ate cereal.'
8. A tense used for completed actions or facts in the past. Example: 'I walked to school.'
9. Base verb + -ed. Examples: walked, played, studied, jumped. (No change to the base unless it ends in a special letter.)
10. go→went, eat→ate, see→saw, come→came, have→had. Irregular verbs change their form.

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