

PAST SIMPLE – IRREGULAR VERBS

1 Fill in the table.

INFINITIVE	PAST SIMPLE		INFINITIVE	PAST SIMPLE
be	was, were		lose	
catch			put	
	did			ran
fall			sleep	
	got			thought
go			understand	

2 Fill in the gaps. Write the past simple form of the verbs in brackets.

0 Mary Shelley wrote (write) the novel "Frankenstein".

1 My mum _____ (sing) in a choir when she _____ (be) young.

2 Steven Spielberg _____ (win) an Oscar.

3 Yesterday, I _____ (be) home alone when I _____ (hear) a strange noise.

I _____ (think) it was a ghost.

4 My parents _____ (take) a lot of photos of me when I was a baby.

5 Last week, Tina _____ (see) a new horror film at the cinema.

6 They _____ (be) ill last week and they _____ (drink) a lot of hot tea.

7 There _____ (be) a music quiz yesterday. I _____ (know) all the answers and I _____ (get) two tickets for the concert of my favourite band.

8 My grandma _____ (teach) me how to make pancakes.

9 My great-grandfather _____ (speak) three languages.

10 Henry _____ (spend) three hours playing the cello last weekend.

11 Harry Potter _____ (have) a lot of friends.

12 It _____ (be) my birthday yesterday and my parents _____ (buy) me new headphones.

PAST SIMPLE – NEGATIVE FORM

3 Change the following affirmative sentences into negative sentences.

0 Mary liked horror films.

Mary didn't like horror films.

1 Jackie had pizza for dinner.

_____.

2 My sister studied chemistry.

_____.

3 My favourite team scored a goal.

_____.

4 Ludwig van Beethoven lived in the 18th century.

_____ in the 17th century.

5 I travelled to Split last summer.

_____.

6 My mum sent an e-mail in the morning.

_____.

7 I read a lot as a child.

_____.

8 They could go to the cinema last Saturday.

_____.

9 My sister was late for school because she woke up late in the morning.

_____.

10 I met my favourite actress last summer.

_____.

PAST SIMPLE – AFFIRMATIVE AND NEGATIVE FORM

4 Fill in the gaps with the correct form of the verbs in brackets. Use the past simple tense.



Robin Hood is one of the most famous British heroes. Nobody knows if he _____ (be) a real person. According to the legend, he _____ (be) an outlaw, and he _____ (live) in Sherwood Forest with a group of criminals known as “Merry Men”. Robin Hood always _____ (carry) a bow and arrow. He _____ (become) a popular hero, because he _____ (help) poor people. In fact, he _____ (take) money from rich people and _____ (give) it to the poor.

The Sheriff of Nottingham _____ (be) Robin Hood’s enemy and he _____ (try) to catch him, but he _____ (fail) to do so.



My grandma Alice _____ (be) an extraordinary woman. She _____ (have) a lot of younger siblings. Her parents _____ (be) strict and they _____ (work) a lot, so she _____ (help) around the house and she _____ (not have) a lot of free time. She _____ (take) care of her sibling when her parents _____ (be) at work, too. Still, she always _____ (find) time to keep a diary. She _____ (enjoy) writing down her memories and feelings. It _____ (make) her feel relaxed and happy. She _____ (want) to be a writer, but _____ (cannot) follow her dream because her family _____ (not have) a lot of money, so she _____ (start) to work at the age of 16. She _____ (meet) my great-grandpa Jack in the library and she soon _____ (marry) him. They _____ (have) three children and they _____ (read) to their children before bed. That’s why my mum is an enthusiastic reader. My grandma _____ (like) music, too. She _____ (not play) any musical instruments, but she _____ (sing) in a choir. She _____ (not like) dancing. She _____ (say) that she _____ (cannot) dance, but I _____ (see) her dancing at some of our family parties, and I think she _____ (be) a great dancer. Unfortunately, she _____ (die) last year.

PAST SIMPLE – INTERROGATIVE FORM**5 Make Yes/No questions. Then write short answers.**

0 I visited my best friend yesterday.

Did you visit your best friend yesterday? Yes, I did.

1 Mary chose the blue dress.

_____ ? Yes, _____.

2 Our grandma baked a chocolate cake.

_____ a strawberry cake? No, _____.

3 Nikola Tesla worked on electrical energy.

_____ ? Yes, _____.

4 The baby boy hugged his father.

_____ his mother? No, _____.

5 The students did their homework.

_____ ? Yes, _____.

6 Zoe and I hurried home after school.

_____ ? Yes, _____.

7 Jack and Lucy left the party early.

_____ late? No, _____.

8 I ran a marathon last week.

_____ ? Yes, _____.

6 Order the words to make questions.

0 Andrija Mohorovičić / study / what / did

What did Andrija Mohorovičić study?

1 did / to / you / why / go / the shopping centre

_____ ?

2 where / your / birthday / you / celebrate / did

_____ ?

3 receive / Lavoslav Ružička / the Nobel Prize / when / did

_____ ?

4 how / end / the story / did

_____ ?

5 he / where / from / was

_____ ?

6 film / did / what / of / watch / kind / you

_____ ?

7 Make questions for these answers. Use the **wh**-question words from the box.

What - When - Where - Why - Who

0 I went to the cinema **last night**.

When did you go to the cinema?

1 I read **a biography of Charles Dickens**.

_____?

2 Celine Dion lived **in Canada**.

_____?

3 We **went to an art exhibition** last Sunday.

_____?

4 I woke up early **because I went on a trip to Chicago**.

_____?

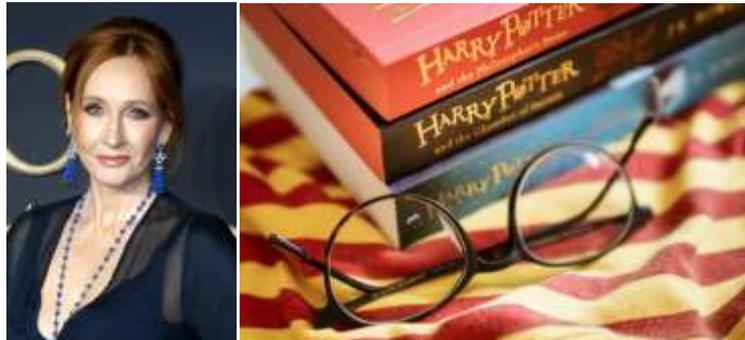
5 Mary and I were born **in 2008**.

_____?

6 **James Bond** was a famous film character.

_____?

8 Fill in the gaps with the correct form of the verbs in brackets. Use the past simple tense.



J. K. Rowling is a British novelist. She **was** (be) born on 31 July 1965 in Yate, England. She

_____ (move) to Portugal in 1990 and _____ (teach) English. Rowling

_____ (marry) a Portuguese journalist and _____ (give) birth to their

daughter. The couple _____ (not have) a happy marriage. After the divorce, Rowling

_____ (return) to the UK. Life _____ (not be) easy for her and her

daughter. She _____ (become) famous in 1997 when her book *Harry Potter and the*

Philosopher's Stone _____ (be) published. She _____ (get) the idea of

Harry Potter while sitting on a train and travelling from Manchester to London King's Cross. When

_____ (she / begin) writing the book? She _____ (begin) writing the first

book when she _____ (live) in Portugal, but she _____ (continue) to write

it after she _____ (return) to the UK. She _____ (send) the Harry Potter

manuscript to many publishers. _____ (they / like) the story?

Well, twelve publishers _____ (**not like**) her manuscript and they _____ (**reject**) it, and she _____ (**feel**) discouraged. Finally, one of them _____ (**like**) the story and the book _____ (**be**) soon published. She _____ (**write**) six more books about Harry Potter. They are very popular worldwide.



Lisa: Hey, Anna! How _____ (**be**) your weekend?

Anna: Hey, Lisa! It _____ (**not be**) that good. I _____ (**want**) to go to the concert by Shawn Mendes. My best friend _____ (**buy**) us the tickets, but in the end I _____ (**cannot**) go, because I _____ (**be**) ill. I _____ (**spend**) my weekend in bed.

Lisa: Oh, I'm sorry you _____ (**miss**) the concert, but I'm glad that you're better now. _____ (**your friend / go**) to the concert alone?

Anna: No, she _____. She _____ (**not want**) to go alone, but her sister _____ (**decide**) to keep her company and they _____ (**have**) a fantastic time. She _____ (**send**) me a short video of the concert and a lot of photos. I hope he'll organise a new concert in our town soon. What _____ (**you/ do**)?

Lisa: My cousin is an art lover and his mum _____ (**drive**) him all the way to London so that he _____ (**can**) see an exhibition. He _____ (**ask**) me if I would join him. I _____ (**not want**) to go at first, but I _____ (**change**) my mind and _____ (**decide**) to join him.

Anna: What type of an exhibition _____ (**it / be**)?

Lisa: It _____ (**be**) an exhibition on world-class painters. We _____ (**see**) the works of the most famous artists, such as Picasso, van Gogh...

Anna: _____ (**you / explore**) the museum on your own?

Lisa: No, we _____. The museum _____ (**organise**) guided tours. Our guide _____ (**be**) amazing. She _____ (**tell**) us many interesting facts about the painters' lives and works. Even my cousin, who is crazy about art, _____ (**not know**) some of them. For example, _____ (**you / know**) that Picasso...