## THE SIMPLE PAST: to describe finished actions, states or events in the past

### **FORM**

There are regular verbs, irregular verbs and special cases

## i) REGULAR VERBS

INFINITIVE: to work

+ I work <u>ed</u> W	e work <u>ed</u>
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You worked You worked

He worked They worked

I didn't work We didn't work

> You didn't work You didn't work

They didn't work She didn't work

? Did I work? Did we work?

> Did you work? Did you work?

Did it work? Did they work?

#### **SPELLING**

INFINITIVE	PAST	INFINITIVE	PAST
Play	Played	Stop	Sto <u>pp</u> ed
Enjoy	Enjoyed	Plan	Pla <u>nn</u> ed
Like	Liked	Prefer	Prefe <u>rr</u> ed
Die	Died	Occur	Occu <u>rr</u> ed
Study	Studied	Enter	Entered
Try	Tried	Limit	Limited
Travel	Trave <u>ll</u> ed	Bow	Bowed
Patrol	Patro <u>ll</u> ed	Fax	Faxed

## ii) IRREGULAR VERBS

### **INFINITIVE:** to have

You had

+ I had We had

He had They had

- I didn't have We didn't have

You didn't have You didn't have

You had

She didn't have They didn't have

? Did I have ? Did we have ?

Did you have? Did you have?

Did it have? Did they have?

## iii) SPECIAL CASES

	HAVE GOT	CAN	TO BE	
+	I had got	I could	I was	We were
	You had got	You could	You were	You were
	He had got	He could	He was	They were
-	I hadn't got	I couldn't	I was not	We weren't
	You hadn't got	You couldn't	You weren't	You weren't
	She hadn't got	She couldn't	She wasn't	They weren't
?	Had I got ?	Could I ?	Was I?	Were we?
	Had you got ?	Could you?	Were you?	Were you?
	Had he got?	Could she?	Was it?	Were they?

## LEWIS HAMILTON

'BBC extracts for speakout pre-intermediate - unit12' https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=wfD-6F2rzqs
1) What is Lewis Hamilton's job?
2) When does the Formula 1 season start?
3) When does the Formula 1 season finish?
4) When did Lewis Hamilton first appear on television?
5) What did he drive as a teenager?
6) When did he start driving in Formula 3?
7) When did he start driving in Formula 1?

1) Watch the following video.

'Unit 2 Hustle'

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=GJOe7mBLPao

2) THE PRONUNCIATION OF PAST TENSE FORMS:

Study the pronunciation rules shown above, then read the passage below aloud.

This is the story of a British criminal who travelled to Brazil and burgled a house in Rio De Janeiro. He waited until it was dark, then he climbed over the wall, walked through the garden and entered the house. He located a valuable painting hanging on the wall, he removed it from its frame with a knife and inserted the canvas into a cardboard tube. Then a pet monkey started screeching and alerted the security staff. The burglar crossed the garden again and escaped over the wall. He wasted no time and travelled to the airport as soon as he could, checked in his luggage, smuggled the painting onto the plane and relaxed in First Class. When the flight landed at Heathrow Airport, the Customs staff identified him and stopped him. He accompanied them to the Customs area where they searched him, his luggage and his clothes. They discovered nothing incriminating, so he asked them if he could leave. The Customs Officer agreed to let him go but ordered his men to follow him to see where he intended to go and what happened next.

#### Un esempio di memorizzazione "a recitazione": i verbi irregolari

I fonemi passano dalla memoria a breve termine all'archivio fonologico di lunga durata del cervello tramite un processo che potremmo chiamare "a recitazione" (dall'inglese "rehearsal" (Williams & Burden 1997: 16).

Cerca di memorizzare questi gruppi di verbi irregolari ripetendoli ad alta voce a gruppi di tre o quattro, sfruttando la similitudine tra i suoni e il loro ritmo per fissarli nella tua memoria. A questo punto, copri la seconda e/o terza colonna e metti alla prova la tua conoscenza controllando se, leggendo la forma all'infinito, sei in grado di ricordare le forme corrispondenti per le altre due colonne.

INFINITIVE	PAST	PAST PARTICIPLE Cut Shut Put	INFINITIVE	PAST	PAST PARTICIPLE
Cut	Cut		Ring	Rang	Rung
Shut	Shut		Sing	Sang	Sung
Put	Put		Swim	Swam	Swum
Let	Let	Let	Sink	Sank	Sunk
Set	Set	Set	Shrink	Shrank	Shrunk
Spread	Spread	Spread	Drink	Drank	Drunk
Hit Quit Cost	Hit Quit Cost	Hit Quit Cost	Run Come Become Begin	Ran Came Became Began	Run Come Become Begun
INFINITIVE Know Grow Blow Throw Fly Draw Withdraw	PAST Knew Grew Blew Threw Flew Drew Withdrew	PAST PARTICIPLE Known Grown Blown Thrown Flown Drawn Withdrawn	INFINITIVE Buy Fight Bring Think Seek Teach Catch	PAST Bought Fought Brought Thought Sought Taught Caught	PAST PARTICIPLE Bought Fought Brought Thought Sought Taught Caught
INFINITIVE	PAST	PAST PARTICIPLE Made Laid Paid Said	INFINITIVE	PAST	PAST PARTICIPLE
Make	Made		Break	Broke	Broken
Lay	Laid		Wake	Woke	Woken
Pay	Paid		Speak	Spoke	Spoken
Say	Said		Freeze	Froze	Frozen
Read	Read	Read	Take	Took	Taken
Lead	Led	Led	Shake	Shook	Shaken
Meet	Met	Met	Fall	Fell	Fallen
Sell	Sold	Sold	Give	Gave	Given
Tell	Told	Told	Forgive	Forgave	Forgiven
Hold	Held	Held	Forget	Forgot	Forgotten
Have Hear	Had Heard	Had Heard	Write Ride Rise	Wrote Rode Rose	Written Ridden Risen
Find Bind	Found Bound	Found Bound	Drive	Drove	Driven

INFINITIVE Stand Understand	PAST Stood Understoo	PAST PARTICIPLE Stood od Understood	INFINITIVE Choose Steal Eat	PAST Chose Stole Ate	PAST PARTICIPLE Chosen Stolen Eaten
			Bite Hide Forbid	Bit Hid Forbade	Bitten Hidden Forbidden
INFINITIVE Keep Creep Sleep Sweep	PAST Kept Crept Slept Swept	PAST PARTICIPLE Kept Crept Slept Swept	INFINITIVE Wear Tear Swear Show	PAST Wore Tore Swore Showed	PAST PARTICIPLE Worn Torn Sworn Shown
Spend Send Bend	Spent Sent Bent	Spent Sent Bent	See Lie	Saw Lay	Seen Lain
Lend Mean	Lent Meant	Lent Meant	INFINITIVE Shine Win	PAST Shone Won	PAST PARTICIPLE Shone Won
Feel Deal	Felt Dealt	Felt Dealt	Hang	Hung	Hung
Build	Built	Built	<b>INFINITIVE</b> Be	PAST Was/Were	PAST PARTICIPLE Been
Get Shoot	Got Shot	Got Shot	Go Do	Went Did	Gone/Been Done
Lose Leave Light	Lost Left Lit	Lost Left Lit			
Sit Stick Strike	Sat Stuck Struck	Sat Stuck Struck			

1 Here is a story. The red words are verbs in the *Past tense*. Read Part 1 of the story and complete the table.



Present	Past
is	was
are	
ask	asked
look	
open	
play	-
smile	
want	
give	gave
go	
have	
put	1
say	
see	
take	

Part I

I was about five years old. It was very late at night, and my parents were asleep. I was awake because I wanted to go to the toilet. I went to the toilet, and I saw a light under the living room door. So I opened the door and went in, and I saw a man in the living room. He was about 20 years old.

I looked at him, and he looked at me, and he smiled at me and said, 'Hi! What's your name?' And I said, 'Sam'. 'Do you want to play a game, Sam?' he asked, and I said, 'Yes.' He had a big bag in his hand, and he said, 'OK. Let's put things in this bag.'

So we played the game. I gave things to him, and he put them in his bag. I took my father's wallet out of his jacket, and I took my mother's purse out of her coat, and the man put them in his bag.

#### Part 2

Then I (1) ...... into my parents' bedroom – very quietly – and (2) ...... their watches and rings, and my mother's earrings, and (3) ...... them to the man.

I (4) ....... him some other things too – the silver knives, forks and spoons, two clocks and some old books – and he (5) ...... everything in his bag. It (6) ...... a great game.

And in the end he (7) ......, 'OK, Sam. It's bedtime. You go back to bed now. Goodnight.' So I (8) ...... goodnight and (9) ..... back to bed.

- 2 Read Part 2 of the story. Fill the gaps with verbs from the table.

  Now listen to Sam telling the whole story.
- 3 Cover the text, and try to tell the story yourself. Use the verbs in the table to help you.

## C Past descriptions

We never saw the policeman again.

We never saw our knives, forks and spoons again.

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Look at these descriptions. Fill the gaps with was, were and had. 1 There ..... two people at the bus stop, a man and a woman. They ..... about 50 years old. The woman ...... quite short and ..... long grey hair. The man .....very tall and ..... no hair at all. They ...... a large dog with them. The dog ...... long grey hair too. 2 It ...... a very good hotel. We ...... a lovely room. It ...... a double bed, a sofa, a desk and a TV, and it also ...... a large balcony. On the balcony there ...... three or four chairs, and several plants. There ...... a swimming pool in the hotel garden, and there ...... also two very good restaurants. We ..... a lovely time there! Listening: The next morning Words You will hear the end of the story in Write these words in your language. Unit 15.1 (Bedtime story). Listen and mark the sentences T (= true) or F (= false). smile (v.) want late light (n.) game thing wallet purse silver My mother was in the living room. quiet She was with a policeman. garden The policeman asked me questions about the man. Other words I said the man was tall and had dark hair. The policeman showed me a photo of the man. The policeman gave me some money. The policeman smiled and said 'Thank you'. We never saw the man again.

# Unit 12 Consolidation

## 12A Things to remember: Units 9, 10 and 11

Look at the list of irregular verbs, and the rules for making regular past tenses, on page 56 of your Student's Book. Then read the story and write down the correct past tense verb form for each verb in italics.

I (1. be) very poor when I first (2. live) in Paris. When I (3. go) shopping for food, I always (4. buy) the cheapest things. I never (5. travel) by taxi; I usually (6. walk). But I (7. be) not unhappy. I (8. love) Paris, and people (9. be) very kind to me. I (10. meet) some people then who are still good friends today.

I only (11. speak) a little French, and I (12. want) to learn to speak and understand French well. Every day I (13. get) up early. Before my French lesson I (14. read) a newspaper and (15. try) to understand it; then I (16. look) up the difficult words in the dictionary and (17. try) to learn them. I (18. go) to lessons every day, and I (19. talk) to everybody I (20. meet).

After a few months I (21. have got) very little money, so I (22. start) a job as a part-time secretary for an American lawyer. The job (23. not be) interesting, but my life outside my job (24. be) very interesting. I (25. have got) friends who (26. be) artists, musicians and writers. I (27. see) and (28. hear) things that were new and interesting every day.

My family (29. think) I was coming home at the end of a year. Actually I stayed for five years, and I (30. love) every day of those five years. I (31. come) home in 1990, and I'm happy I did, but I think of

Paris every day.



## **2** Write past tense questions for these answers.

- 1. She told me she was at home. What did she tell you? OR Where was she?
- 2. No, I didn't; I hated it.
- 3. I came by car.
- 4. I was quite happy.
- 5. No, but I liked rock music.
- 6. 6.30 a.m.
- 7. My mother was born in Ireland and my father was born in England.
- 8. We lived in Birmingham.

3	D.	have,	~=	harra	cati
	Be,	have,	or	have	got:

- 1. I ..... not usually hungry in the morning, so just ...... a cup of coffee for breakfast. 2. My sister ..... a very pretty cat.
- 3. How tall ..... you?
- 4. That was a dirty job I think I'll ..... a shower before supper.
- 5. I don't know if they any children.6. 'I'...... cold!' 'Would you like my sweater?'
- 7. What colour ..... your car?
- 8. There ..... too many people in this room.
- 9. 'I ..... very hungry.' 'I ..... some bread and cheese. Would you like some?'
- 10. You ..... beautiful eyes, Mark.
- 11. The children ..... thirsty have we got anything to drink in the car?
- 12. I think they ..... artists. They look like
- 13. I never ......lunch on Tuesdays there's not enough time.
- 14. You ..... your father's nose and mouth.
- 15. 'Would you like a cold drink?' 'Yes, please. I'..... hot.'

## VIDEO COMPREHENSION:

'BBC extracts for speakout pre-intermediate - unit 3' https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=HLTdg39sQOY
1) What is the presenter's favourite city?
2) What did she do at 10.00?
3) What did she do at 11.00 ?
4) What did she do at 13.00 ?
5) What did she do at 16.00 ?
6) What did she do at 18.00 ?
7) What did she do at 22.00 ?
WRITING: Now think of the last time you went to a foreign city and write an account of one day that you spent there.

# 1 Irregular verbs crossword 1

Complete the crossword by filling in the past tense of the verbs in the sentences below (see example):

#### **ACROSS**

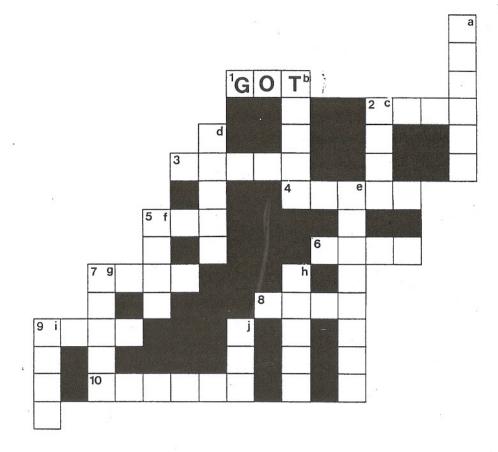
1	My sister married on April 26th 1980.	GET
2	David very well at the party.	SING
3	He slipped on a banana skin and his leg.	BREAK
4	Do you know who the book 'How Green was my	
	Valley'?	WRITE
5	I was late, so I all the way.	RUN
6	He off a wall and hurt himself.	FALL
7	My cousin for Great Britain in the Olympic Games	
	when he was only 16.	SWIM
8	I three rabbits last weekend.	SHOOT
9	We to Spain last summer.	FLY
10	Who you to play the guitar, Sally?	TEACH

#### DOWN

b	He the ball to me.	THROW
c	It was cold, so he the window.	SHUT
d	I a whole bottle of champagne on my last birthday.	DRINK
e	A police car me on the motorway.	OVERTAKE
f	I a very interesting book last weekend.	READ
g	I until 11 o'clock this morning.	SLEEP
h	We had a lovely time in Greece. The weather was really	
	beautiful. In fact, the sun all the time.	SHINE
i	I ill this morning so I decided not to go to work.	FEEL
j	A dog her as she was walking through the park	BITE

**FORGET** 

a I'm sorry, but I ... to post that letter you gave me.



# 47 Irregular verbs crossword 2

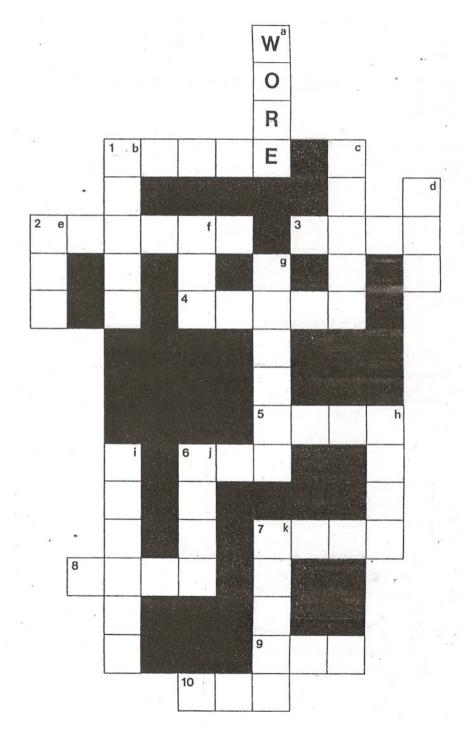
Complete the crossword by filling in the past tense of the verbs in the sentences below (see example):

#### **ACROSS**

1	It was so cold last November that the canal	FREEZE
2	The police finally the bank robbers after chasing them	
	for several hours.	CATCH
3	I up at 6.30 this morning.	WAKE
4	Mr and Mrs Brown from London to Manchester last	
	weekend.	DRIVE
5	The child his mother's hand as they crossed the road.	HOLD
6	We in the park all afternoon.	SIT
7	We up at least fifty balloons for the party.	BLOW
8	My parents £35,000 for their house.	PAY
9	He was so tired that he down for a while on the bed.	LIE
10	Björn Borg the ball into the net.	HIT

#### DOWN

L	JOWN		
a	She a long, white evening-dress to the party.		WEAR
b	I a £5 note on my way to work this morning.	*1	FIND
C	We English all the time when we were on holiday.		SPEAK
d	He his wife at a disco.		MEET
e	The child her finger while playing with a knife.		CUT
f	The thieves in the doorway until the police had gone		
	past.		HIDE
g	He his girlfriend a ring for her birthday.		BUY
h	The teacher a map of Spain on the blackboard.		DRAW
i	My cousin an actor in 1964.		BECOME
j	I thought you you would help me.		SAY
k	My brother his boat himself.		BUILD



### **NELSON MANDELA**

15) Where did he ask to be buried?

'Speakout Elementary Unit 6' https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=jcaQ39tlzLE
1) In which year was Nelson Mandela born ?
2) How old was he when his father died?
3) When did he go to university?
4) When did he join the African National Congress (ANC) ?
5) When did he become a lawyer?
6) When did he go to prison?
7) For how many years did he stay in prison ?
8) When did he leave prison?
9) When did free and fair elections finally take place in South Africa?
10) When did Nelson Mandela become South Africa's President?
11) For how many years was Nelson Mandela South Africa's President?
12) When did he retire ?
13) When did he die ?
14) How old was he when he died?



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Listening	Reading	Spoken interaction	Spoken production			
C1	C1	C1	C1	C1		
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C2	C2	C2	C2	C2		
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