

## The Past Simple Tense

*Yesterday, two years ago, last week, in 2010 etc.*

to dance – танцевать

I danced yesterday. – Я танцевала вчера.

to swim – плавать

We swam last week. – Мы плавали на прошлой неделе.

**#1**

**Give the Past Simple form of the following verbs and write them down into 2 columns.**

To answer, to break, to cook, to drive, to eat, to find, to give, to hear, to jump, to know, to learn, to miss, to open, to prefer, to run, to swim, to think, to use, to watch.

**#2**

**Write the verbs given in ex.1 in the right column.**

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**#3**

**Make up your own sentences (the table below will help you)**

Pronoun/noun	verb	adverb
I	swam	in 2010
You	danced	yesterday
Mary	went	the day before yesterday
He	did	last week
She	spoke	last year
My mom	listened	last month
It	read	two years ago
We	wrote	
They	watched	
Alex	bought	
My sister and I	played	

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I didn't dance yesterday. – Я не танцевала вчера.

She didn't swim last week. – Она не плавала на прошлой неделе.

**#4**

**Rewrite your sentences from exercise 3 with not**

#5

Write the sentences in the negative.

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| 1 We studied in the library yesterday.<br><i>We didn't study in the library yesterday.</i> | 5 The cat climbed a tree yesterday morning.<br>..... |
| 2 Pedro played football last Sunday.<br>.....  | 6 It rained last week.<br>.....                      |
| 3 I watched TV last night.<br>.....  | 7 He smiled at me.<br>.....                          |
| 4 Aya listened to music yesterday evening.<br>.....  | 8 George tidied his room an hour ago.<br>.....       |

Did you study English? – Ты учила английский?

Did she study English?– Она учила английский?

Did they go to school last week?–Они ходили в школу на прошлой неделе?

#6

Put the questions to your sentences from exercise 3.

Did you like English? – Yes, I did.

Did she study English? – Yes, she did.

Did they go to school last week? – No, they didn't.

#7

Complete the questions and answers.

- 1 ..... *Did* ..... you cook breakfast yesterday morning? No, ..... *I didn't* .....
- 2 ..... the boys watch a film last night? Yes, .....
- 3 ..... Mum clean the house yesterday? No, .....
- 4 ..... your grandparents visit you last weekend? Yes, .....
- 5 ..... Steve play basketball last weekend? Yes, .....
- 6 ..... you and Claire clean your rooms last Monday? No, .....

Write what Marita did or didn't do yesterday.



- 1 go shopping x
- 2 clean the house ✓
- 3 feed the cat ✓
- 4 phone Mary x
- 5 watch a film on TV x
- 6 visit her grandparents ✓
- 7 buy them a cake ✓

- 1 *Marita didn't go shopping yesterday.*
- 2 .....
- 3 .....
- 4 .....
- 5 .....
- 6 .....
- 7 .....

#3

Complete the questions about yesterday. Answer them about you.

- 1 What time ... *did* ... you ... *get up* ...? (**get up**) ..... *I got up at* .....
- 2 What ..... you ..... for breakfast? (**have**) .....
- 3 ..... you ..... a shower in the morning? (**have**) .....
- 4 What time ..... you ..... to school? (**go**) .....
- 5 ..... you ..... by bus? (**go**) .....
- 6 What ..... you ..... for lunch? (**eat**) .....
- 7 ..... you ..... a sandwich? (**eat**) .....
- 8 When ..... you ..... home from school? (**come**) .....
- 9 ..... you ..... your homework in the afternoon? (**do**) .....
- 10 What time ..... you ..... at night? (**go to sleep**) .....

#4

Read the text about J.K.Rowling and complete the sentences.

- a) As a child, she ..... (like) reading.  
She ..... (write) her first story when  
she ..... (be) six.
- b) After university, she ..... (work) as a  
secretary.
- c) She ..... (have) the idea for Harry Potter  
on a train journey, and ..... (start) writing  
the book the next day.
- d) In Portugal, she ..... (work) as a teacher in  
the afternoon and evening, and ..... (write)  
Harry Potter in the morning.
- e) In Edinburgh, she ..... (live) in a small,  
cold flat.
- f) She ..... (finish) the first Harry Potter book in  
a café.

## 2 Read about J. K. Rowling's life. Put these events in order.

- a)  She finished her first Harry Potter book.
- b)  She got married and had a daughter.
- c)  She studied French at university.
- d)  She became very famous.
- e)  She moved to Scotland.
- f)  She started writing her first Harry Potter book.
- g)  She wrote her first story, *Rabbit*.
- h)  She worked in Portugal as an English teacher.
- i)  She was unemployed.

start + ed started

look!

live + d lived

study → ied studied

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## 3 [10.4] Listen and read to check your answers.

### The Writer and the Wizard



**J.K. Rowling** was born in England in 1965. She loved reading, and wrote her first story, 'Rabbit', when she was only six years old. She studied French at university, then worked as a secretary in London. She had the idea for Harry Potter when she was on a train. 'Harry just walked into my head,' she said later. She started writing the first Harry Potter book the next day.

In 1992 she went to live in Portugal for three years. She wrote Harry Potter in the morning, and worked as an English teacher in the afternoon and evening. She got married to a Portuguese TV journalist and had a daughter called Jessica.

Then she returned to Britain and lived in Edinburgh, in Scotland. She was unemployed at that time, and wrote in cafés because they were warmer than her small flat. After five years she finished the first book, 'Harry Potter and the Philosopher's Stone'. The book sold millions of copies all over the world, and Joanne Kathleen Rowling became very famous. She is now very rich, but she still writes her books in cafés!

