

## Making Past Tense Sentences (<verb> <noun>)

Regular (add **-ed**, **-ied**):

{I, You, He, She, It, We, They} <verb>(**ed, ied**).  
{I, You, He, She, It, We, They} {**stopped, studied, watched**}.  
{I, You, He, She, It, We, They} {**wanted, needed, liked**} chocolate.

Irregular:

{I, You, He, She, It, We, They} <**irreg-past-verb**>.  
{I, You, He, She, It, We, They} {**ate, went**}.  
**past irregular for {eat, go}**

## Making Past Tense Questions (<verb> <noun>)

Regular

{I, You, He, She, It, We, They} <verb>(**ed, ied**).  
**Did** {I, you, he, she, it, we, they} <verb>?  
  
{I, You, He, She, It, We, They} {**stopped, studied, watched**}.  
**Did** {I, you, he, she, it, we, they} {**stop, study, watch**}?  
  
{I, You, He, She, It, We, They} {**wanted, needed, liked**} chocolate.  
**Did** {I, you, he, she, it, we, they} {**want, need, like**} chocolate?

Irregular:

{I, You, He, She, It, We, They} <**irreg-past-verb**>.  
**Did** {I, you, he, she, it, we, they} <verb>?  
  
{I, You, He, She, It, We, They} {**ate, went**}. **past for {eat, go}**  
**Did** {I, you, he, she, it, we, they} {**eat, go**}?

- no **"s"** or **"-ed"** for he, she, it.

Making Past Tense Negative Sentences (<verb> <noun>)

{I, You, He, She} didn't want chocolate.  
{It, We, You, They} didn't want chocolate.

- note no "s" or "-ed" for he, she, it.

Making Past Tense Negative Questions (<verb> <noun>)

Didn't {I, you, he, she} want chocolate?  
Didn't {it, we, you, they} want chocolate?

- no "s" or "-ed" for he, she, it.

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Making Past Tense Sentences (<verb> to <verb2>)

{I, You, He, She} wanted to study.  
{It, We, You, They} wanted to study.

Making Past Tense Questions (<verb> to <verb2>)

Did {I, you, he, she} want to study?  
Did {it, we, you, they} want to study?

- no "s" or "-ed" for he, she, it.

Making Past Tense Negative Sentences (<verb> to <verb2>)

{I, You, He, She} didn't want to study.  
{It, We, You, They} didn't want to study.

- note no "s" or "-ed" for he, she, it.

Making Past Tense Negative Questions (<verb> to <verb2>)

Didn't {I, you, he, she} want to study?  
Didn't {it, we, you, they} want to study?

- no "s" or "-ed" for he, she, it.

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# Past Tense

## Simple past (yesterday), positive and negative statements with "to be"

simple present (everyday)		simple past (yesterday)	
singular	plural	singular	plural
I am	We are	I was	We were
I am not	We are not	I was not	We were not
You are	You are	You were	You were
You are not	You are not	You were not	You were not
He is	They are	He was	They were
He is not	They are not	He was not	They were not
She is	They are	She was	They were
She is not	They are not	She was not	They were not
It is	They are	It was	They were
It is not	They are not	It was not	They were not

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## Simple past (yesterday), positive and negative statements with "to be" (contractions)

simple past (yesterday) long forms and contractions			
singular long forms	singular contractions	plural long forms	plural contractions
I was	X	We were	X
I was not	I wasn't	We were not	We weren't
You were	X	You were	X
You were not	You weren't	You were not	You weren't

He was X They were X  
He was not He wasn't They were not They weren't

She was X They were X  
She was not She wasn't They were not They weren't

It was X They were X  
It was not It wasn't They were not They weren't

No contractions in positive "yesterday" statements  
Contractions only in negative "yesterday" statements

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## Practice: Simple past (yesterday), positive and negative statements with "to be"

write: am, is, are, was, were.

Example:

1. He was angry yesterday.
2. She is a doctor now.
3. I was at home an hour ago.
4. They were students last year.
5. The boy is young now.
6. The man was a boy in 1940.
7. She is at work now.
- A. She was at work last week.
9. You were in the car yesterday.
10. You are at school now?
11. We were there two days ago.
12. We are not there now.
13. Are he old now?
14. Yes. He is an old man now.
15. He was young 30 years ago.
16. He was a child 30 years ago.
17. They were new cars last year.
18. It is an old car now.
19. I am at home every day.
20. The animals are calm now.
21. They were angry yesterday.
22. My dog is large now.
23. It was small two years ago.
24. Were you sick last week?

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## Simple past (yesterday), questions and answers with "to be"

"to be" Statements	"Yes/No" Questions	"Yes/No" Answers	Information
I was a student.	Was I a student?	Yes, I was. No, I was not. (wasn't)	Who was I?
You were a student.	Were you a student?	Yes, you were. No, you were not. (weren't)	Who were you?
He was a student.	Was he a student?	Yes, he was. No, he was not. (wasn't)	Who was he?
She was a student.	Was she a student?	Yes, she was. No, she was not. (wasn't)	Who was she?
It was a car.	Was it a car?	Yes, it was. No, it was not. (wasn't)	What was it?
We were students.	Were we students?	Yes, we were. No, we were not. (weren't)	Who were we?
You were students.	Were you students?	Yes, you were. No, you were not. (weren't)	Who were you?
They were students.	Were they students?	Yes, they were.	
They were cars.	Were they cars?	No, they were not. (weren't)	Who were they?/What were they?

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## Practice: Simple past (yesterday), questions and answers with "to be"

Write: was, were, not, wasn't, weren't

Example:

1. He was a bus driver.
2. Was he a bus driver?
3. Yes, he was.
4. No, he was not. (wasn't)
5. What was he?
6. She \_\_\_\_\_ at work last night.
7. \_\_\_\_\_ she at work?
16. They \_\_\_\_\_ my friends in 1970.
17. \_\_\_\_\_ they your friends?
18. Yes, they \_\_\_\_\_.
19. No, they \_\_\_\_\_.
20. Who \_\_\_\_\_ they?
21. You \_\_\_\_\_ sick an hour ago.
22. \_\_\_\_\_ you sick an hour ago?

8. Yes, she \_\_\_\_\_.
9. No, she \_\_\_\_\_.
10. Where \_\_\_\_\_ she last night?
11. It \_\_\_\_\_ a kitten a year ago.
12. \_\_\_\_\_ it a kitten a year ago?
13. Yes, it \_\_\_\_\_.
14. No, it \_\_\_\_\_.
15. What \_\_\_\_\_ it a year ago?
23. Yes, I \_\_\_\_\_.
24. No, I \_\_\_\_\_.
25. How \_\_\_\_\_ you an hour ago?
26. I \_\_\_\_\_ in bed 4 hours ago.
27. \_\_\_\_\_ you in bed 4 hours ago?
28. Yes, I \_\_\_\_\_.
29. No, I \_\_\_\_\_.
30. Where \_\_\_\_\_ you 4 hours ago?

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## Simple past (yesterday), regular verbs

verb + ed = yesterday (simple past)

look + ed = looked (yesterday)

verb + d

like + d = liked (yesterday)

look (regular verb)

positive		negative	
singular	plural	singular	plural
I looked	we looked	I did not look	we did not look
you looked	you looked	you did not look	you did not look
he looked	they looked	he did not look	they did not look
she looked	they looked	she did not look	they did not look
it looked	they looked	it did not look	they did not look

no "s" after simple past verbs

he looked (xxxx s)

she did (xxxx s)