

# 10 Past Simple

AFIRMATIVA	NEGATIVA	CONTRACCIÓN	INTERROGATIVA
I <b>walked</b>	I <b>did not walk</b>	I <b>didn't walk</b>	<b>Did I walk ...?</b>
You <b>walked</b>	You <b>did not walk</b>	You <b>didn't walk</b>	<b>Did you walk ...?</b>
He/She/It <b>walked</b>	He/She/It <b>did not walk</b>	He/She/It <b>didn't walk</b>	<b>Did he/she/it walk ...?</b>
We <b>walked</b>	We <b>did not walk</b>	We <b>didn't walk</b>	<b>Did we walk ...?</b>
You <b>walked</b>	You <b>did not walk</b>	You <b>didn't walk</b>	<b>Did you walk ...?</b>
They <b>walked</b>	They <b>did not walk</b>	They <b>didn't walk</b>	<b>Did they walk ...?</b>

*I visited New York last year.* (Visité Nueva York el año pasado.)

*They **did not listen** to the music after lunch.* (Ellos no escucharon música después del almuerzo.)

NO: *They ~~did not listened~~ to the music after lunch.*

*Did she tell you that story?* (¿Te contó ella esa historia?) NO: *Did she ~~told~~ you that story?*

(Véase tablas F y G en la página 199.)

Utilizamos el Past Simple para referirnos a acciones que ocurrieron en el pasado. El verbo suele ir acompañado de expresiones de tiempo pasado, sobre todo fechas (**yesterday, last Monday, last month, two years ago, in 1981, etc.**).

*I **went** to Salamanca two years ago.* (Fui a Salamanca hace dos años.)

*She **left** her job last summer.* (Ella dejó su trabajo el verano pasado.)

## Ejercicios

- A** Selecciona las formas correctas del Past Simple de estos verbos, y tacha las incorrectas. Puedes consultar las tablas E y F en las páginas 198–9 antes de hacer el ejercicio.

writed	taked	wrote ✓	gived	spent	finded	asked
sended	buyed	gave	meeted	took	left	found
met	stoped	sent	eated	bought	brought	leaved
stopped	ate	saw	did			

- B** Completa estas frases con un verbo de la tabla. Recuerda que debe estar en Past Simple y que sólo puedes usar cada verbo una vez.

visit work ~~play~~ drive send take arrive win

- I played tennis at the club yesterday evening.
- She ..... very hard for her exams.
- Paul ..... me a postcard from Morocco.
- She ..... her new car from London to Southampton.
- I ..... my brother in Madrid last month.
- The train ..... at the station at ten o'clock yesterday evening.

- 6 The French team ..... the match.  
 7 We ..... a lot of photographs on holiday last year.

**C** Paul siempre va a Italia de vacaciones, pero el año pasado cayó enfermo al llegar, y pasó todo el tiempo en la cama. Escribe frases sobre todas las cosas que no llegó a hacer, utilizando las expresiones de la tabla y los verbos entre paréntesis, como en el ejemplo.

in the mountains   swimming   any new friends   his Italian  
 the museums in Florence   football on the beach   in the local restaurants

- 0 (go)   *He didn't go swimming.*  
 1 (eat)   .....  
 2 (play)   .....  
 3 (walk)   .....  
 4 (improve)   .....  
 5 (meet)   .....  
 6 (see)   .....

**D** Convierte estas frases en preguntas.

- 0 You went on holiday in the summer.   *Did you go on holiday in the summer?*  
 1 She bought a new table.   .....  
 2 He worked in London.   .....  
 3 They played tennis yesterday.   .....  
 4 James cooked the dinner.   .....  
 5 She gave a present to Anne.   .....  
 6 Paul left the office at six o'clock.   .....  
 7 You passed your exams.   .....  
 8 She drove to Scotland.   .....

**E** Nuria vivió en Alemania un año. Completa este resumen de su experiencia con los verbos correspondientes en Past Simple.

stay   start   return   work   fly   find   live   leave

At the beginning of last year, Nuria <sup>0</sup> *flew* ..... to Munich. She  
 1 ..... in an apartment near the city centre for ten months. She  
 2 ..... in a clothes shop. After a couple of weeks Nuria <sup>3</sup> ..... a  
 good language school, and so she <sup>4</sup> ..... to improve her German. After  
 ten months Nuria <sup>5</sup> ..... Munich, and she <sup>6</sup> ..... in a small town  
 in the mountains for two months. Then she <sup>7</sup> ..... to Barcelona.