

Past simple: regular verbs

Focus: past simple of regular verbs: -ed spelling, affirmative and negative with didn't

PAST SIMPLE: REGULAR VERBS

Add **-ed**: play → played, visit → visited. Verb + e: add **-d** (live → lived). Consonant + y: **-ied** (study → studied).

Short verbs, one vowel + one consonant: double it (stop → stopped).

Negative: **didn't** + verb: We didn't watch TV. I didn't work yesterday.

Time words: yesterday, last weekend, two years ago, in 2010.

1 Complete the table with the past simple.

Example: cook → cooked

Verb	Past simple	Verb	Past simple
work	_____	live	_____
stop	_____	study	_____
visit	_____	dance	_____
play	_____	try	_____
watch	_____	arrive	_____

2 Complete with the past simple of the verbs.

Example: I _____ (visit) my aunt last weekend. → visited

- We _____ (stay) in a small hotel near the beach.
- She _____ (not / watch) TV last night.
- They _____ (arrive) at the airport at six o'clock.
- Omar _____ (study) English in London two years ago.
- I _____ (not / like) the food at the restaurant.
- The bus _____ (stop) in front of the hotel.
- We _____ (walk) along the river yesterday.
- Ken _____ (not / work) last Monday. He was ill.

ANSWER KEY

1 1 worked, 2 lived, 3 stopped, 4 studied, 5 visited, 6 danced, 7 played, 8 tried, 9 watched, 10 arrived 2 1 stayed, 2 didn't watch, 3 arrived, 4 studied, 5 didn't like, 6 stopped, 7 walked, 8 didn't work