GRAMMAR · IRREGULAR VERBS · A1 Name: _____ Date: _____

Irregular verbs: past simple forms

Focus: Base form and past simple form of 20 very common irregular verbs (go - went, have - had).

GRAMMAR

Regular verbs add **-ed**: work → work**ed**. Irregular verbs change: go → **went**, have → **had**.
The past form is the same for all persons: I **went**, she **went**. Careful: read → **read** (say 'red').

1 Match the base forms (1-10) and the past simple forms (a-j).

1. go	a. drank
2. have	b. did
3. do	c. had
4. see	d. ate
5. eat	e. went
6. drink	f. took
7. come	g. made
8. get	h. came
9. make	i. got
10. take	j. saw

2 Complete the table. Write the missing form of each verb.

Base form	Past simple	Base form	Past simple
give	_____	meet	_____
buy	_____	leave	_____
read	_____	_____	slept
write	_____	_____	told
say	_____	_____	found

3 Choose the correct past simple form.

Example: Omar _____ to a concert last month. (goed / went) → went

1. Tom _____ his sister a present yesterday. (gived / gave)
2. Maria _____ goodbye to her friends last night. (said / sayed)
3. We _____ dinner in a small café yesterday. (ate / eated)
4. Ali _____ a long letter to an old friend last Sunday. (writed / wrote)

ANSWER KEY

1 1 e, 2 c, 3 b, 4 j, 5 d, 6 a, 7 h, 8 i, 9 g, 10 f **2** 1 give - gave, 2 meet - met, 3 buy - bought, 4 leave - left, 5 read - read, 6 sleep - slept, 7 write - wrote, 8 tell - told, 9 say - said, 10 find - found **3** 1 gave, 2 said, 3 ate, 4 wrote

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