

Past simple

Level A (examples 1–255)

past forms of some common verbs (1–70); positive declaratives with **be**, **have** and other verbs (71–140); negative declaratives (141–170); yes/no questions (171–215); WH questions (216–255)

Level B (examples 256–285)

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Past forms of verbs

1) gave	19) bought	37) broke	55) caught
2) ate	20) thought	38) spent	56) won
3) had	21) learnt, learned	39) drove	57) lent
4) said	22) sold	40) fell	58) meant
5) tried	23) could	41) lost	59) spoke
6) drank	24) understood	42) stood	60) ran
7) did	25) sat	43) stayed	61) stole
8) made	26) sent	44) studied	62) threw
9) was, were	27) cost	45) drew	63) knew
10) told	28) played	46) put	64) saw
11) read	29) paid	47) brought	65) took
12) came	30) cried	48) went	66) wrote
13) found	31) slept	49) left	67) sang
14) received	32) stopped	50) forgot	68) wore
15) travelled	33) heard	51) flew	69) lay [ležel]
16) listened	34) preferred	52) felt	lied [lhal]
17) taught	35) met	53) shone	70) swam
18) got	36) began	54) froze	

Positive declaratives

be

- 71) He was tired.
- 72) It was four o'clock.
- 73) They were hungry.
- 74) It was cold.
- 75) I was cold.

have

- 76) She had a problem.
- 77) We had a dog.
- 78) He had green eyes.
- 79) I had a cold.
- 80) She had a good idea.

other verbs

- 81) She said hello.
- 82) He did it without us.
- 83) We sat and waited.
- 84) They ate everything.
- 85) She gave them the/some money.
- 86) He went to the pub.

- 87) I wrote them a long letter.
- 88) They told me about their holiday.
- 89) She drank three glasses of wine.
- 90) Someone called my name.
- 91) We stayed in/at a beautiful hotel.
- 92) I saw your sister in/at the library.
- 93) She gave him her telephone number.
- 94) Everyone came to the meeting.
- 95) I read a good book at the weekend.
- 96) He could read when he was five.
- 97) I studied English yesterday evening.
- 98) We heard about it on Thursday.
- 99) They taught us the past tense today.
- 100) The concert began/started at seven.
- 101) He thought about it (for) a while/moment.
- 102) Her grandfather knew Winston Churchill.
- 103) I understood the text without (any) problems.
- 104) I listened to the news three times yesterday.
- 105) We learnt/learned a lot of new words at school today.
- 106) She bought a new winter jacket.
- 107) He put the money in(to) his pocket.
- 108) We paid them in pounds.
- 109) The team played very well.
- 110) I got a new bicycle for my birthday.
- 111) She spent a lot of money in Paris.
- 112) He received/got a letter with some bad news.
- 113) The holiday cost them seven thousand crowns.
- 114) He sold his old bicycle and bought a new one.
- 115) At the weekend we visited some friends in Moravia.
- 116) We sang some English songs at school today.
- 117) The little boy ran to his mother.
- 118) She swam (across) the English Channel in 1987.
- 119) We flew to Sydney via Bangkok.
- 120) My grandfather drove an old, black Ford.
- 121) She travelled a lot when she was young.
- 122) He fell in(to) the river.
- 123) She cried and cried.
- 124) I lost my camera in Turkey.
- 125) I found twenty crowns this morning.
- 126) She broke his glasses.
- 127) I forgot to ask him.
- 128) The police stopped him.
- 129) He brought me a box of chocolates.
- 130) She took a lot of clothes with her.
- 131) His parents lent him their car.
- 132) We sent them a postcard.
- 133) He caught a big/large carp.
- 134) He threw the fish back into the river.
- 135) Manchester won the match.
- 136) They left/went at half past nine.