

# I didn't ... Did you ... ? (past simple negative and questions)

**A** We use **did** in past simple negatives and questions:

infinitive	positive	negative	question
play	I played	I didn't play	Did I play?
start	we started	we didn't start	Did we start?
watch	you watched	you didn't watch	Did you watch?
have	they had	they didn't have	Did they have?
see	he saw	he didn't see	Did he see?
do	she did	she didn't do	Did she do?
go	it went	it didn't go	Did it go?

**B** do/does (present) → did (past):

- I **don't** watch television very often.
- I **didn't** watch television **yesterday**.
- **Does** she often go away?
- **Did** she go away **last week**?

**C** We use **did/didn't** + infinitive (watch/play/go etc.):

I watched but I **didn't** watch (not 'I didn't watched')  
 they went did they go? (not 'did they went?')  
 he had he **didn't** have  
 you did did you do?

- I played tennis yesterday but I **didn't** win.
- 'Did you do the shopping?' 'No, I **didn't** have time.'
- We went to the cinema but we **didn't** enjoy the film.

**D** Study the word order in questions:

	did + subject +	infinitive	
What	<b>Did</b> your sister	<b>phone</b>	you?
How	<b>did</b> you	<b>do</b>	yesterday evening?
Where	<b>did</b> the accident	<b>happen?</b>	
	<b>did</b> your parents	<b>go</b>	for their holiday?

**E** short answers

Yes,	I/we/you/they he/she/it	<b>did.</b>	No,	I/we/you/they he/she/it	<b>didn't.</b>
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- 'Did you see Joe yesterday?' 'No, I **didn't**.'
- 'Did it rain on Sunday?' 'Yes, it **did**.'
- 'Did Helen come to the party?' 'No, she **didn't**.'
- 'Did your parents have a good holiday?' 'Yes, they **did**.'

## EXERCISES

**12.1** Complete these sentences with the verb in the negative.

- 1 I saw Barbara but I **didn't see** Jane.
- 2 They worked on Monday but they ..... on Tuesday.
- 3 We went to the post office but we ..... to the bank.
- 4 She had a pen but she ..... any paper.
- 5 Jack did French at school but he ..... German.

**12.2** Write questions with **Did ...?**

- 1 I watched TV last night. And you? Did you watch TV last night?
- 2 I enjoyed the party. And you? .....
- 3 I had a good holiday. And you? .....
- 4 I finished work early. And you? .....
- 5 I slept well last night. And you? .....

**12.3** What did you do yesterday? Write positive or negative sentences.

- 1 (watch TV) I watched TV. OR I didn't watch TV.
- 2 (get up before 7 o'clock) I .....
- 3 (have a shower) .....
- 4 (buy a magazine) .....
- 5 (eat meat) .....
- 6 (go to bed before 10.30) .....

**12.4** Write B's questions. Use:

arrive cost go go to bed late happen have a nice time stay win

1 A: We went to New York last month. B: Where <u>did you stay?</u> A: With some friends.	5 A: We came home by taxi. B: How much ..... ? A: Ten pounds.
2 A: I was late this morning. B: What time ..... ? A: Half past nine.	6 A: I'm tired this morning. B: ..... ? A: No, but I didn't sleep very well.
3 A: I played tennis this afternoon. B: ..... ? A: No, I lost.	7 A: We went to the beach yesterday. B: ..... ? A: Yes, it was great.
4 A: I had a nice holiday. B: Good. Where ..... ? A: To the mountains.	8 A: The window is broken. B: How ..... ? A: I don't know.

**12.5** Put the verb in the correct form – positive, negative or question.

- 1 We went to the cinema but the film wasn't very good. We didn't enjoy it. (enjoy)
- 2 Tim ..... some new clothes yesterday – two shirts, a jacket and a pullover. (buy)
- 3 '..... yesterday?' 'No, it was a nice day.' (rain)
- 4 The party wasn't very good, so we ..... long. (stay)
- 5 It was very warm in the room, so I ..... a window. (open)
- 6 'Did you go to the bank this morning?' 'No, I ..... time.' (have)
- 7 'I cut my hand this morning.' 'How ..... that?' (do)