



General English - Beginner

Unit 10: We had a fantastic time!

Objectives

- Grammar: Past Simple – regular and irregular verbs
- Vocabulary: Sport and leisure
- Everyday Language: Going sightseeing
- Speaking: Making conversation



1. Answer the questions.

- What day is it today?
- What day was it yesterday?
- What day is it tomorrow?
- Where were you yesterday?

2. Match a sentence with a time expression.

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| <ul style="list-style-type: none">• We're at home• I went to Australia• I bought a nice dress• They weren't at school | <ul style="list-style-type: none">• in 2020.• at 6 p.m.• now.• yesterday. |
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3. What is the past tense of these irregular verbs?

- buy
- go
- do
- get
- have
- leave
- meet
- see
- take

1. Listen to Kristin. Tick (✓) the things she did yesterday.  10.1



Yesterday she...

- ☐ got up early
- ☐ had breakfast in bed
- ☐ saw her grandmother
- ☐ listened to music
- ☐ called a friend
- ☐ went running
- ☐ met some friends
- ☐ bought some bread
- ☐ invited friends to her flat
- ☐ cooked a meal
- ☐ played cards
- ☐ watched a film
- ☐ cleaned her flat
- ☐ did some work at her desk

LANGUAGE FOCUS

1. Underline the irregular verbs in the list in exercise 1.
2. The other verbs are regular. What are the last two letters? Write the Past Simple forms of these verbs.

/t/ cook → cooked watch → _____
/d/ play → _____ listen → _____
/ɪd/ start → _____ invite → _____

Listen and repeat.  10.2

3. The Past Simple is the same for played / you / he / she / it / we / they.
- I / you / he / she / it / we / they **went/ watched.**

For Grammar reference, see page 13.

2. Say what Kristin did.

Yesterday she got up late and had ... Then she ...

3. What did you do last Sunday? Use the list of 1.

Last Sunday I got up ... and I went ... I saw ...

Monday morning

4. Monday morning. Kristin and Dave are at work. Listen and complete the conversation.  10.3



K: Morning, Dave. 1. Did you have a good weekend?
D: Yes, I did, thanks.
K: So, what 2. _____ you do yesterday?
D: Well, I got up really early, and I 3. _____ golf with some friends.
K: You 4. _____ up early on Sunday! Are you crazy!
D: Yes, I know, but it was such a lovely day – I didn't want to stay in bed – and I love playing golf.
K: Mmm, I love my bed, not golf! Where 5. _____ you _____?
D: At my local golf club. After we finished our game, we 6. _____ lunch in the clubhouse. The food is really good there.
K: Great! 7. _____ you _____ out in the evening?
D: No, I didn't go out – I was too tired. My sister visited me, and she 8. _____ dinner for me. She's a great cook.
K: Lucky you! What 9. _____ you _____?
D: Lasagne. It was delicious. What about you, Kristin? Did you have a good weekend?

LANGUAGE FOCUS

Present Simple – questions and negatives

1. Questions and negatives use do and does.
Do you like golf? No, I don't.
Does she like tennis? No, she doesn't.

Past Simple – questions and negatives

2. All questions use **did**. Complete the questions.
Did she **have** a good week? Where _____ they **stay**?
What did you **do** yesterday? When _____ you **speak**?
3. All negatives use didn't. Complete the negatives.
He _____ want to stay in there.
I _____ cook a meal.
They _____ go out.

5. Listen to Dave asking Kristin about her weekend.  10.6
Complete the questions.

- What/ do on Saturday? What did you do on Saturday?
- Who / you see at the party?
- ... get home late?
- What / do / after breakfast on Sunday?
- What / do in the afternoon?
- ... do anything / Sunday evening?

6. Answer the questions above about yourself.

Language focus | Past Simple – questions and negatives

About you!

7. Say what you did and didn't do yesterday evening.

- finish work early
- work late
- check emails
- answer messages
- have dinner at home
- eat out
- watch TV
- watch the news
- prepare food
- cook dinner
- talk with family
- meet friends
- use the phone
- use social media
- go to bed early



Practice I Did you have a good weekend?

- 1. What activities are in the photos?
- 2. Look at the questionnaire. Put a tick (✓) next to the things you did last weekend.



Questionnaire LAST WEEKEND

- Did you...?
- go to the cinema
 - go shopping
 - cook dinner
 - watch TV
 - play football
 - go to a party
 - see your friends
 - have coffee in a cafeteria
 - do a lot of housework

You	Teacher
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- 3. Ask your teacher the questions and tick (✓) the answers.
- 4. Say what your teacher did.

Paul watched TV ...

Did you watch TV?

Yes, I did. / No, I didn't

Time expressions

- 5. Complete the time expressions using a word on the left.

I went there ...

- | | | |
|-----------|-------------------|-----------------------|
| yesterday | ▪ ___ Monday | ▪ ___ August 10th |
| at | ▪ ___ the morning | ▪ ___ month |
| last | ▪ ___ 10 o'clock | ▪ ___ the weekend |
| in | ▪ ___ 2025 | ▪ ___ evening |
| on | ▪ ___ week | ▪ ___ Tuesday morning |

- 6. Complete the sentences with a verb in the Past Simple and a word from 5.

1. 'When _____ you _____ (work) in New York?'
'_____ 2015, for six months.'
2. She _____ (start) doing her homework at 5 o'clock and she _____ (not finish) until bedtime.
3. 'When is Ted's birthday?'
'It was _____ September 17th. I _____ (buy) him a jumper.'
4. 'What _____ you _____ (do) _____ the evening?'
'We _____ (have) dinner with friends.'
5. I _____ (not play) golf _____ the weekend.
6. We _____ (go) to the cinema _____ Saturday afternoon.

Time to check!

7. Select (✓) the correct sentence.

1.

- ☐ They left the party early.
- ☐ They leaved the party early.

2.

- ☐ Did you go skiing in February?
- ☐ Did you go skiing at February?

3.

- ☐ Did they went shopping yesterday?
- ☐ Did they go shopping yesterday?

4.

- ☐ What did you do last weekend?
- ☐ What did you last weekend?

5.

- ☐ 'Did you like the film?' 'Yes, I did.'
- ☐ 'Did you like the film?' 'Yes, I liked.'

6.

- ☐ I saw Ryan on last night.
- ☐ I saw Ryan last night.

1. In conversation, we ask questions to show we are interested.

We went to the cinema last night.

Who was in it?

Oh, really?
What did you see?

Reply to these lines with a question.

1. 'I went shopping yesterday.'
'Really? (Where/go) _____?'
2. 'We went to that new Italian restaurant last night.'
'Mmm! (What/have) _____?'
3. 'We saw a lot of our friends in the coffee shop.'
'Oh! (Who/see) _____?'
4. 'I played tennis at the weekend.'
'Oh, really? (Where/play) _____?'
5. 'The party on Saturday was great!'
'Oh, good! (What time/leave) _____?'

Listen and check. 

2. Read the example conversation.

A: I went shopping yesterday.

B: Really? Where did you go?

A: Oxford Street.

B: Oh, lovely! What did you buy?

A: Well, I wanted a new dress for a friend's wedding, and I went to Selfridges.

B: Selfridges? Nice, but expensive! Did you find one?

A: Yes, I did. I found a beautiful blue one in the sale. It was only £65!

B: Wow! Well done!



3. Choose one of the conversations in **1** and make it longer.

1. What are the activities in the photos?

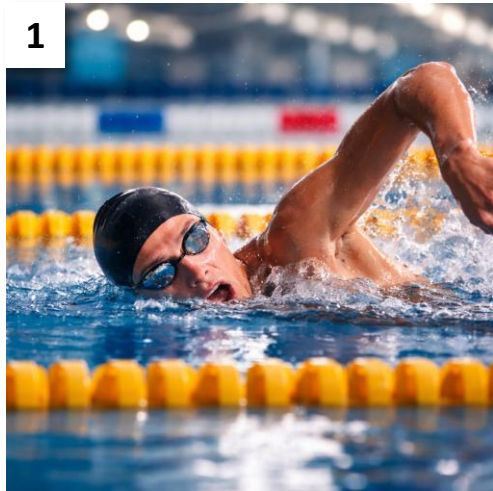
- ☐ sailing
- ☐ cards
- ☐ golf
- ☐ rugby
- ☐ ice-skating
- ☐ walking
- ☐ tennis
- ☐ running
- ☐ volleyball
- ☐ skiing
- ☐ cycling
- ☐ fishing
- ☐ canoeing
- ☐ swimming
- ☐ windsurfing

2. Write the activities in the correct column.

play	Go + ing
rugby	skiing

3. Answer the following questions.

- What sports do you play?
- How often do you play sports?
- What is your favourite sport?
- Where do you usually play sports?
- Who do you play sports with?
- Do you prefer team sports or individual sports?
- When did you start playing your favourite sport?
- Do you watch sports on TV or online?



1. Say the months of the year.

In your country, what months are ... ?
spring summer autumn winter

2. When and where do you usually go on holiday?

I usually go on holiday in spring.

I usually go to Peru.

3. Listen to Cathy and Gary talking about their holidays.
Underline what they say. 10.10

They usually ...	But last year they ...
1. go in autumn / winter	went in spring / summer
2. go to Barbados / Dubai	went to Florida / France
3. go swimming / sailing	went canoeing / cycling
4. stay in a villa / hotel	stayed in a tent / cabin
5. eat in the hotel / at expensive restaurants	cooked outside / went to cafés
6. play cards / golf	went fishing / played tennis
7. have / don't have a good time.	also had / didn't have a good time.

4. Ask and answer questions about Gary and Cathy's holidays.

1. When / go?
2. Where / go?
3. Where / stay?
4. Where / eat?
5. What / do?
6. ... have a good time?

5. Complete the sentences about Gary and Cathy's last holiday.

Last year ...

1. They didn't go on holiday in winter, they _____ in summer.
2. They _____ to Barbados, they _____ to the Ardèche, in France.
3. They _____ in a hotel, they _____ in a cabin.
4. They _____ in restaurants, they _____ outside.
5. They _____ swimming, they _____ canoeing.

6. Which do you think is the best holiday? Why?



1. What is your favourite kind of holiday?

- What do you like doing?
- What don't you like?
- ☐ visiting museums
- ☐ relaxing on a beach
- ☐ playing sports
- ☐ camping by a river
- ☐ eating at different restaurants
- ☐ going skiing
- ☐ sightseeing in famous cities
- ☐ walking in the mountains

2. What did you do on your last holiday?
Ask and answer the following questions.

- Where ... go?
- When ... go?
- Where ... stay?
- What ... do every day?
- ... you have good weather?
- What ... do in the evening?
- What ... eat?
- ... nice people?

Where did you go ?

I went to Australia.



LANGUAGE FOCUS
Ago
Two years ago means two years before now .
I met Steve ten years ago .
I went to Poland six weeks ago .
Nelly phoned five minutes ago .

Writing

3. Write about your last holiday.

My last holiday

Last ... I went on holiday to

I went with

We stayed in

Every day we

Sometimes we

Once we We met

The food was ... and the weather

We had a ... time.

1. Write the names of two cities and the dates when you were a tourist there.

Example:
Lisbon, May 2024
Rio de Janeiro, January 2022

Talk about the cities.
What did you do there? What did you see there? What did you buy?

2. Listen and complete the conversations in a tourist office.  10.11



1

A: Hello. Can I 1. _____ ?

B: Yes. 2. _____ have a map of the city, please?

A: Of course. Here you are.

B: Can you show 3. _____ where we are on the 4. _____ ?

A: Yes. We're 5. _____ in Regent Street in the city 6. _____.

2

C: We want to go on a 1. _____ tour of the 2. _____.

A: That's fine. The next bus 3. _____ at 10 o'clock. It 4. _____ about an hour and a half.

C: Where does the bus go from?

A: It 5. _____ Trafalgar Square, but you can get 6. _____ and off when you want.

3

D: I want to visit the British Museum. What time does it 1. _____ ?

A: It opens at 10 in the morning and 2. _____ at 5.30 in the evening.

D: 3. _____ is it to get in?

A: It's 4. _____ !



3. When people go sightseeing in your town, where do they go?
What is there to do in your town?

We have a beautiful market.

Visitors go to

There's an archaeological park and...

Past Simple positive

1. Regular verbs add *-ed* in the Past Simple.

Present → Past

listen → listened

play → played

clean → cleaned

invite → invited

watch → watched

2. The form is the same for all persons.

I		
You	invited	Peter.
He/She/It	listened	to music.
We	watched	soccer on TV.
They		

Past Simple questions and negatives

Present → Past

do / does → did

What time **does** he usually **eat**?

What time **did** he **eat** yesterday?

Questions with question words

Where	did	I you he/she/it we they	eat?
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Questions with question words

I You He/She/It We They	didn't	go there. see the movie.
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Yes/No questions and short answers

Did they have a great time?	Yes, they did .
Did he play tennis?	No, he didn't .

Past time expressions

I went to London

- four years ago.
- last year.
- yesterday.
- in 2024.