

6.2 Grammar

Past Simple

SHOW WHAT YOU KNOW

1 Complete the conversations with the correct past forms of the verb **be**.

- 1 **Liam:** Where ^a were you this morning?
Stella: I^b _____ at the gym. I go every Saturday.
- 2 **James:** ^a _____ the football match exciting?
David: No, it ^b _____. Their players ^a _____ much better than our players.
- 3 **Sue:** ^a _____ your parents worried about you going skiing?
Alice: Yes, they ^b _____. It ^c _____ strange.
 My dad ^d _____ more worried than my mum.

2 ★ Complete the text with the correct past forms of the verbs in brackets.

On Saturday, I was bored. I ^a phoned (PHONE) my friend. We ¹ _____ (CHAT) for a while and then we ² _____ (AGREE) to meet at her house. We ³ _____ (PLAN) to play tennis but it ⁴ _____ (START) to rain so we ⁵ _____ (DECIDE) to watch a DVD. Jackie's little sister was there. She ⁶ _____ (WANT) to play with us but we said 'no'. Then she ⁷ _____ (CRY) and Jackie's mum ⁸ _____ (ASK) us to look after her. So, we all ⁹ _____ (WATCH) a film that Jackie's sister ¹⁰ _____ (LIKE). It was terrible!

3 ★ Complete the sentences with one word in each gap. First letters are given.

My Blog Space



SARAH Brown

I first became interested in skateboarding ^a at the ¹ a _____ of eight. Then, ² w _____ I was about ten or eleven, a new skatepark opened in our town. I went every day and got better and better. ³ L _____ year, there was a competition and I won the under-18 skateboarding prize. I was really happy. A few months ⁴ a _____, I heard about a summer skateboarding camp. It starts today. I packed my clothes ⁵ y _____ and sent messages to my friends. I went to bed late last ⁶ n _____ but it's 6 a.m. now and I'm eating breakfast. The coach for the camp leaves at 11 o'clock but I can't sleep.

4 ★ ★ Complete the conversations with the words from the box. Change the forms of the verbs. There are two extra words.

ago do drink give go have help
last play stay take watch yesterday

Hi Chris,

How are you? We ⁰ had a sports day at our school ¹ _____. It was quite good. I ² _____ table tennis and ³ _____ some kung fu. Then I had a rest and ⁴ _____ the running competition. After that, some friends and I stayed at school and ⁵ _____ to clear up. The teachers ⁶ _____ us some cans of drink so we ⁷ _____ them to the park and ⁸ _____ them there. I ⁹ _____ home quite early because I had a lot of work to do ¹⁰ _____ night. We had a Maths test today and we've got exams all this week. I must do some more work. Hope all is well.
 Nick

5 ★ ★ ★ Put the words in the correct order and the verbs in the correct form.

- 0 I / out / yesterday / be / but / phone you / you
I phoned you yesterday but you were out.
- 1 yoga / of / I / doing / age / at / start / the / twelve

- 2 be / I / high school / in / Phil / when / meet / we

- 3 my / last / listen to / night / ten times / her new CD / sister

- 4 brother / the / his first job / age / at / my / of / get / twenty

- 5 ago / I / this laptop / months / two / buy

- 6 start / boring / the match / watching / but it / I / be

SHOW WHAT YOU'VE LEARNT

6 Complete the conversation with the words from the box. Put the verbs in the correct form. There are four extra words.

age ago cry decide go hate
last past stop watch yesterday

Tim: Is this a good film?

Jan: Oh, it's lovely. I ⁰ cried when I saw it.

Tim: Why? Is it sad?

Jan: Very. I saw it ¹ _____ weekend. I ² _____ to the cinema with Amelia. She ³ _____ it. She wanted to leave before the end.

Tim: I can believe that. I remember when I was at her house a few weeks ⁴ _____. We ⁵ _____ to watch a DVD. When I looked at her collection of films, they were all things most people like at the ⁶ _____ of 12! In the end, we watched *The Lion King!*