PAST SIMPLE (regular verb + *–ed*)

Use the past simple to talk about actions that are finished.

Regular past simple forms finish with –*ed*

*I* ***watched*** *TV last night.*

*You* ***cooked*** *dinner yesterday.*

*He* ***walked*** *home.*

*She* ***started*** *work at 9 am.*

*It* ***closed*** *at four o’clock.*

*We* ***looked*** *at the photos*

*They* ***stopped*** *work at 5.30pm*

The past simple is the same for all subject pronouns.

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| most verbs | +ed | work > work**ed** |
| verbs ending *e* | +d | dance > danc**ed** |
| verbs ending consonant +y | y > ied | study > studi**ed** |
| one syllable verbs in one vowel +  one consonant (except verbs ending w,x,y,z) | Double the consonant +ed | stop > stop**ped** |

* Right or Wrong? Tick ( ) or correct the past forms.

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|  | Infinitive | Past Simple |  |
| *examples* | *close* | *closed* | *\_\_\_\_\_* |
|  | *walk* | *walkd* | *\_\_\_\_\_* |
| 1. | arrive | arrivd | \_\_\_\_ |
| 2. | work | worked | \_\_\_\_ |
| 3. | stay | staied | \_\_\_\_ |
| 4. | live | lived | \_\_\_\_\_ |
| 5. | snow | snowwed | \_\_\_\_\_ |
| 6. | reply | replyed | \_\_\_\_\_ |
| 7. | shop | shoped | \_\_\_\_\_ |
| 8. | finish | finished | \_\_\_\_\_ |

* Complete the sentences. Put the verbs in the past simple.

1. I \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ *The Legend of Zorro* last night. (watch)
2. They \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ the meal at that new restaurant. (enjoy)
3. They \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ the chocolate cake. (finish)
4. We \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ in a lovely hotel. (stay)
5. I \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ Holly yesterday. (phone)
6. Shelia \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ her mother last week. (visit)
7. He \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ to France in 2005. (move)
8. Arnold \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ our bags to the airport. (carry)
9. It \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ yesterday. (rain)
10. They \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_for hours at Ana’s party. (dance)