

CEFR A2 · TEENS (11–16)

My Last Weekend: *What did you do?*

Now you can talk about the past! Learn the **past simple** — how to say what you **did** last weekend, with regular verbs (played, watched) and irregular verbs (went, saw, ate).

⌚ 45 minutes

📖 Past simple

📅 Last Weekend

Name: _____

Class: _____

Date: _____

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WARM-UP**Think before you start**

1. What did you do last weekend? Try to remember three things.
2. Did you go anywhere? Did you see any friends?
3. What was the best part of your weekend?
4. Did you do any homework, or did you relax all weekend?

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GRAMMAR FOCUS**The past simple — finished actions**

We use the **past simple** for finished actions in the past. Most verbs add **-ed** (regular); some are **irregular**. The form is the same for every subject.

POSITIVE	subject	+	past verb	=	I watched a film	/	I went home
NEGATIVE	subject	+	didn't	+	base verb	=	I didn't watch TV
QUESTION	Did	+	subject	+	base verb?	=	Did you go out?
ANSWERS	Yes, I did.	·	No, I didn't.				

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GRAMMAR IN ACTION

Common verbs — base → past

The green verbs are **regular** (+ -ed). The blue verbs are **irregular** — learn them by heart!

play ↓ played	watch ↓ watched	visit ↓ visited	study ↓ studied	go ↓ went	see ↓ saw
eat ↓ ate	have ↓ had	buy ↓ bought	meet ↓ met	get ↓ got	make ↓ made

SPELLING OF REGULAR -ED

EXAMPLE

Most verbs: + ed

play → played, watch → watched

Ends in -e: + d

like → liked, live → lived

Consonant + y: y → ied

study → studied, try → tried

Short vowel + consonant: double it

stop → stopped, plan → planned

yesterday

last weekend

last night

last week

two days ago

in 2020

last summer

this morning

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KEY VOCABULARY

Words you'll meet in the story

WORD	MEANING	EXAMPLE
weekend <i>NOUN</i>	Saturday and Sunday	<i>I relax at the weekend.</i>
visit <i>VERB</i>	to go and see a person or place	<i>We visited my grandma.</i>
went <i>PAST OF GO</i>	moved or travelled to a place	<i>I went to the cinema.</i>
saw <i>PAST OF SEE</i>	looked at; met	<i>I saw my friends in town.</i>
bought <i>PAST OF BUY</i>	paid money for something	<i>She bought a new jacket.</i>
amazing <i>ADJ.</i>	very, very good	<i>The concert was amazing!</i>
boring <i>ADJ.</i>	not interesting	<i>The film was a bit boring.</i>
stay <i>VERB</i>	to remain in a place; not leave	<i>I stayed at home on Sunday.</i>
trip <i>NOUN</i>	a short journey to a place	<i>We went on a trip to the lake.</i>
tired <i>ADJ.</i>	needing rest or sleep	<i>I was tired after the long day.</i>

So, What Did You Do? *three teens, three weekends*

Monday morning at school. The first question everybody asks is: “What did you do at the weekend?” Three students tell us about their weekends — read and find the past simple verbs!

Nora — a busy weekend

“My weekend was very busy!” says Nora. “On Saturday morning, I **went** to the city centre with my mum. We **visited** the new shopping centre, and I **bought** a beautiful jacket. Then we **ate** lunch at a Turkish restaurant — the food was amazing! In the afternoon, I **met** my friends at the park. We **played** basketball for two hours. On Sunday, I was very tired, so I relaxed at home and watched films all afternoon.”

Daniel — a quiet weekend

“My weekend was the opposite — very quiet,” says Daniel. “I **stayed** at home all weekend because it rained a lot. But I didn't get bored! On Saturday, I cooked dinner for my family — I **made** pasta, and everyone loved it. I also **studied** for my English test. On Sunday, my grandparents **visited** us. We **had** a long lunch and talked for hours. I didn't go out, but I had a really nice, calm time.”

Layla — a weekend away

“I had the most exciting weekend!” says Layla. “On Friday night, my family and I **drove** to the mountains. We **stayed** in a small hotel near a lake. On Saturday, we **hiked** for three hours and **saw** a beautiful waterfall. I took hundreds of photos! In the evening, we **ate** dinner by the fire. On Sunday, we **came** home, tired but happy. I didn't want the weekend to end!”

So — how was your weekend?

Three students, three completely different weekends: Nora was busy in the city, Daniel relaxed at home, and Layla went away to the mountains. But they all used the same grammar to tell their stories — the past simple! Did you notice the verbs? Some were regular (played, watched, visited, studied), and some were irregular (went, saw, ate, met, bought, had). Now it's your turn. What did you do last weekend?

Editor's note: *The hardest part of the past simple is the irregular verbs — there's no rule, so you just have to learn them. Try this: every day, learn three new irregular verbs. In one month, you'll know ninety! Start today: go → went, see → saw, eat → ate.*


6**PRACTICE**
Fill in the blanks


Put the verb in brackets into the past simple. Watch out for irregular verbs — and after didn't, use the base verb!


- 1 On Saturday, I _____ to the city centre. (*go*)
- 2 We _____ two films on Sunday. (*watch*)
- 3 She _____ a new jacket. (*buy*)
- 4 They _____ lunch at a restaurant. (*eat*)
- 5 I _____ for my English test. (*study*)
- 6 He _____ out on Sunday. (*not / go*)
- 7 _____ you see your friends? (*question word*)
- 8 "Did you have a good time?" — "Yes, I _____." (*short answer*)

7**SPEAKING**
What did you do?

 What did you do last Saturday? And on Sunday?

 Did you go anywhere? Where did you go?

 Did you meet any friends? What did you do together?

 What did you eat? Did you cook or eat out?

 What was the best part of your weekend? Why?

EXAMPLE CONVERSATION

A: What did you do last weekend?

B: I went to the cinema with my brother. We saw a great film. What about you?

A: I stayed at home and studied. But on Sunday I met my friends.

B: Nice! Did you have a good time?

A: Yes, I did! We played football in the park.

8**WRITING**
My last weekend (60–80 words)

Write about your last weekend. What did you do on Saturday and Sunday? Use the past simple. Try to include:

- at least 5 past simple verbs (mix of regular and irregular)
- at least 2 past time words (last Saturday, in the evening...)
- one negative sentence (I didn't...)
- say what the best part was and how you felt

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QUIZ

Check your understanding

1 Choose the past simple: "I _____ to the park yesterday."

- A go B goed
 C went D gone

2 What is the past simple of "watch"?

- A watch B watched
 C watchs D wotch

3 Choose the correct negative:

- A I didn't went out. B I didn't go out.
 C I not went out. D I don't go out.

4 Make a question: "_____ you see the film?"

- A Do B Did
 C Was D Are

5 What is the past simple of "buy"?

- A buyed B bought
 C buys D boughted

6 "Did you go out?" — correct short answer (yes):

- A Yes, I went. B Yes, I do.
 C Yes, I did. D Yes, I was.

7 What is the past simple of "study"?

- A studyed B studied
 C studed D studies

8 Which sentence is CORRECT?

- A She eated pizza. B She ate pizza.
 C She did ate pizza. D She eat pizza yesterday.

✓ Answer Key — for teachers

Fill in the blanks: 1. went 2. watched 3. bought 4. ate 5. studied 6. didn't go 7. Did 8. did

Quiz: 1. C 2. B 3. B 4. B 5. B 6. C 7. B 8. B