

PAST TENSES

SIMPLE PAST

El past simple se usa para oraciones en las que la idea, el acto o el estado ya se completó. Pudo haber finalizado hace cinco minutos o hace cinco siglos, el tiempo de terminación no importa, lo único importante es que se habla de algo que ya no sucede o existe en el presente.

POSITIVE FORM (+):

SUBJECT + VERB IN SIMPLE PAST + COMPLEMENT

NEGATIVE FORM (-):

SUBJECT + DID NOT + VERB IN SIMPLE PRESENT + COMPLEMENT

INTERROGATIVE FORM (?):

DID + SUBJECT + VERB IN SIMPLE PRESENT + COMPLEMENT + ?

Examples:

She read the book.

She did not read the book.

Did she read the book?



Verb "to be" - Past Simple

	affirmative	negative	question
I	I was	I wasn't	Was I?
he/she/it	He was	He wasn't	Was he?
you/we/they	You were	You weren't	Were you?

PAST CONTINUOUS

El pasado continuo en inglés se usa para acciones que comenzaron en el pasado y de las que se quiere remarcar la duración. En particular, suele usarse en combinación con el pasado simple cuando se quiere hablar de una acción que estaba en curso y fue interrumpida por otra.

POSITIVE FORM (+):

SUBJECT + VERB TO BE IN PAST + VERB (ING) + COMPLEMENT

NEGATIVE FORM (-):

SUBJECT + VERB TO BE IN PAST + NOT + VERB (ING) + COMPLEMENT

INTERROGATIVE FORM (?):

VERB TO BE IN PAST + SUBJECT + VERB (ING) + COMPLEMENT + ?

Examples:

She was reading the book.

She was not reading the book.

Was she reading the book?

