

Simple Past Tense
Grade 4

Exercise 1: Regular vs. Irregular Verbs. Write the past tense form of these verbs:

1. walk _____
2. eat _____
3. smile _____
4. write _____
5. jump _____
6. go _____
7. cry _____
8. run _____
9. stop _____
10. see _____

Exercise 2: Fill in the blanks with the past tense form of the verbs in brackets:

1. Last night, I _____ (watch) a movie.
2. The bird _____ (fly) away quickly.
3. She _____ (study) for three hours.
4. They _____ (build) a sandcastle.
5. The dog _____ (bark) at the mailman.
6. We _____ (have) lunch at noon.
7. The leaves _____ (fall) from the trees.
8. He _____ (write) a letter to his friend.
9. The children _____ (play) in the park.
10. I _____ (forget) my homework.

Exercise 3: Change these sentences to negative form:

1. They went to the party. _____
2. She bought a new dress. _____
3. The cat slept on the sofa. _____
4. I ate pizza for dinner. _____
5. He rode his bicycle. _____
6. We saw a movie. _____
7. The bird flew away. _____
8. She wrote a story. _____
9. They played chess. _____
10. The dog chased the ball. _____

Exercise 4: Change these sentences into questions:

1. Tom went to school. _____
2. She finished her homework. _____
3. They watched TV. _____
4. The boy caught the ball. _____
5. We visited our cousins. _____
6. He bought new shoes. _____
7. The teacher read a story. _____
8. Mary wrote a poem. _____
9. The car stopped suddenly. _____
10. They found the lost key. _____

Exercise 5: Change these present tense sentences to past tense:

1. I eat breakfast at 8 AM. _____
2. She writes beautiful poems. _____
3. They go to the beach every Sunday. _____
4. The bird flies high in the sky. _____
5. He drives to work. _____
6. We study mathematics. _____
7. The baby cries a lot. _____
8. They play football. _____
9. She reads interesting books. _____
10. The dog runs fast. _____

Exercise 6: Complete these sentences with the correct form:

1. Before he _____ (leave), he _____ (turn off) all the lights.
2. When I _____ (arrive), the movie _____ already _____ (start).
3. She _____ (not sleep) well because the dog _____ (bark) all night.
4. _____ you _____ (see) where they _____ (go)?
5. The train _____ (leave) before we _____ (reach) the station.
6. After he _____ (break) the vase, he _____ (try) to fix it.
7. Although it _____ (rain), they still _____ (play) the match.
8. _____ she _____ (know) why you _____ (not come) to the party?
9. The children _____ (be) tired because they _____ (run) for hours.
10. When the phone _____ (ring), I _____ (work) on my project.

Answer Key

Exercise 1:

1. walked
2. ate
3. smiled
4. wrote
5. jumped
6. went
7. cried
8. ran
9. stopped
10. saw

Exercise 2:

1. watched
2. flew
3. studied
4. built
5. barked
6. had
7. fell
8. wrote
9. played
10. forgot

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Exercise 3:

1. They did not go to the party.
2. She did not buy a new dress.
3. The cat did not sleep on the sofa.
4. I did not eat pizza for dinner.
5. He did not ride his bicycle.
6. We did not see a movie.
7. The bird did not fly away.
8. She did not write a story.
9. They did not play chess.
10. The dog did not chase the ball.

Exercise 4:

1. Did Tom go to school?
2. Did she finish her homework?
3. Did they watch TV?
4. Did the boy catch the ball?
5. Did we visit our cousins?
6. Did he buy new shoes?
7. Did the teacher read a story?
8. Did Mary write a poem?
9. Did the car stop suddenly?
10. Did they find the lost key?

Exercise 5:

1. I ate breakfast at 8 AM.
2. She wrote beautiful poems.
3. They went to the beach every Sunday.
4. The bird flew high in the sky.
5. He drove to work.
6. We studied mathematics.
7. The baby cried a lot.
8. They played football.
9. She read interesting books.
10. The dog ran fast.

Exercise 6:

1. left, turned
2. arrived, had already started
3. did not sleep, barked
4. Did, see, went
5. left, reached
6. broke, tried
7. rained, played
8. Did, know, did not come
9. were, had run
10. rang, was working

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