**THE PAST SIMPLE** (=de onvoltooid verleden tijd)

**I worked at a supermarket when I was young.**

**He studied hard for his test yesterday afternoon.**

**We use the Past Simple to talk about the past. Pay attention to words like:**

**yesterday, last week, in 1981, three days ago**

**RULE:**

**We usually add –ED to the verb.**

**talk🡪talked**

**want🡪wanted**

**present🡪presented**

**listen🡪listened**

**answer🡪answered**

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| **Past Simple positive** |
| **I helped** |
| **you helped** |
| **he helped** |
| **she helped** |
| **it helped** |
| **we helped** |
| **you helped** |
| **they helped** |

**SPELLING!**

**Pay attention to the following spelling rules:**

**1 If the verb ends in –e, we add only –d.**

**live 🡪 lived**

**believe 🡪 believed**

**realise 🡪 realised**

**2 If a short verb ends in one vowel + consonant, we double**

**the consonant.**

**stop 🡪 stopped**

**plan 🡪 planned**

**chat 🡪 chatted**

**3 If the verb ends in consonant + y, we change the –y to –i.**

**consonant+y 🡪 -ied**

**hurry 🡪 hurried**

**marry 🡪 married**

**study 🡪 studied**

**But: nothing unusual happens when there is a vowel+y**

**stay 🡪 stayed**

**enjoy 🡪 enjoyed**

**PAST SIMPLE NEGATIVE**

**They didn’t play very well yesterday.**

**My friends didn’t want to help me with my homework last week.**

**RULE: didn’t + the base form of the verb**

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| **Past Simple positive** | **Past Simple negative** |
| **I helped** | **I didn’t help** |
| **you talked** | **you didn’t talk** |
| **he married** | **he didn’t marry** |
| **she believed** | **she didn’t believe** |
| **it moved** | **it didn’t move** |
| **we stayed** | **we didn’t stay** |
| **you walked** | **you didn’t walk** |
| **they want** | **they didn’t want** |