



ENGLISH GRAMMAR – SIMPLE PAST TENSE

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The **simple past**, **past simple** or **past** indefinite, is the basic form of the **past tense** in Modern English. It is used principally to describe events in the **past**, although it also has some other uses.

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EASTER HOLIDAYS

Fill in the blanks with the right forms of the verbs in brackets.

Last Easter holidays Jimmy and Paul _____ (go) camping in the mountain.

They _____ (spend) a wonderful time there.

They _____ (wake up) early in the morning and

then they _____ (go) for a walk. In the village

they _____ (buy) everything they

_____ (need).

In the afternoon they _____ (play) football, _____ (watch) the birds and _____ (swim) in the river.

They _____ (not have) a TV set, so after dinner they _____

(talk) for a while and then they _____ (go) to sleep.

One night, Jimmy _____ (have) a very strange dream: they _____ (be)

by the river watching the moon.

Suddenly they _____ (hear) someone calling "Hello! Hello!" They

_____ (turn) around and they _____ (see) a strange

creature.

It _____ (be) green and very small. He _____ (invite)

them to go to his spaceship. There they _____ (meet) other strange

creatures and a beautiful princess.

They _____ (sit) down round a table and they

_____ (eat) some strange food. Jimmy _____ (drink) a glass of fruit juice.

It _____ (taste) good so he _____ (ask) for another glass of it.

After a while he _____ (feel) a bit strange.

Oh, dear...he _____ (turn) green and small like the others. The princess

_____ (not be) beautiful anymore and she _____ (look) horrible.

What was happening?

He _____ (open) his eyes and ... what a relief! It _____ (be) only a dream!





THE FUNNY NOISE

Irregular Verbs in the Past Simple Tense (gap-fill)

1. Complete the gaps with an irregular verb in the past simple tense. Choose from:

be, break, buy, come, drive, eat, feel, find, get, give, go, have, hear, hold, know, let, lose, make, put, read, ring, run, say, sleep, take, think, tell, write

Note: you will need to use some verbs more than once:

Dear Oséias

I'm writing to tell you about something that happened yesterday. I _____ up at the usual time – about 10 am – _____ a shower and _____ breakfast. I _____ a big bowl of cereal and some toast and watched TV for a while. Then I _____ into the kitchen where I _____ a funny noise. I _____ it _____ from behind the cooker. I _____ my tool box and moved the cooker out of the way.

The noise _____ louder but I couldn't see anything. I _____ my uncle to ask his advice. He _____ that he _____ it could be a gas leak. When I _____ this I just panicked! I _____ the phone down, _____ outside, _____ in my car and _____ to the local police station. I _____ them about my gas leak but the constable _____ his patience with me. He _____ that I should have phoned the gas company. He _____ his report, then _____ the gas company for me.



Then I remembered that my house doesn't have gas – only electricity! I _____ really stupid and _____ that the constable would be angry with me for wasting his time, so I _____ out of the police station while he _____ still on the phone. I _____ home to try to find out what the noise _____. On the way I _____ a newspaper and I _____ about an escaped llama that

_____ out of the city safari park last Wednesday.

When I _____ home I _____ my key in the door, turned it, _____ inside and straight away _____ that funny noise again. I _____ my breath and opened the door slowly. Guess what? I _____ the llama hiding in my cupboard! I _____ him stay and he _____ in my garden last night. The snoring

_____ so loud! This morning I _____ him back to the safari park. They _____ really pleased to see him again and _____ me a reward of £50! Hope you are well. Write soon and let me know how you are.

Your friend,
Jason.