

- Listen to Kiara and Hans.
- Answer the questions in exercises 4b, 4c and 4d





## PAST SIMPLE: QUESTIONS

To make questions in the past simple tense we use the auxiliary:





**Did**

- Do exercise 5e

## 4 LISTENING

- a  You can also travel along the Silk Road by bus or train. Which would you prefer to do?
- b  2.71 Klara talks to her friend Hans about the Silk Road. How did Hans travel?
- c  2.72 Listen again and underline the correct answers.
- Country started in: *Turkey / Russia / China*
  - Cities visited: *Samarkand / Tashkent / Kabul / Almaty*
  - Change trains: *yes / no*
  - Price: *\$2,500 / \$25,000*
- d  2.73 Listen again. Are the sentences true or false?
- Hans thinks the train is the best way to travel on the Silk Road.
  - He liked visiting the cities in Central Asia.
  - He didn't like the train very much.
  - He didn't think the trip was too expensive.

## 5 GRAMMAR Past simple: questions

- a  2.74 Complete these questions from Klara and Hans' conversation. Listen and check.
- How \_\_\_\_\_ you travel?
  - Where \_\_\_\_\_ you catch the train from?
  - \_\_\_\_\_ you go through Central Asia?
- b Look at the questions in 5a and complete the rule.
- To make questions in the past simple, we use:  
\_\_\_\_\_ + subject + infinitive
- c  2.74 **Pronunciation** Listen to the questions in 5a again. Notice the pronunciation of *did you* in each question. Can you hear both words clearly?
- d  Now go to Grammar Focus 7A on p.148
- e  2.76 Klara went on the Silk Road and told another friend about her journey. Complete their conversation using the verbs in brackets. Then listen and check.
- PAUL** How <sup>1</sup>\_\_\_\_\_ (be) your journey along the Silk Road?
- KLARA** It <sup>2</sup>\_\_\_\_\_ (be) amazing – incredible!
- PAUL** How <sup>3</sup>\_\_\_\_\_ you \_\_\_\_\_ (travel)?
- KLARA** We <sup>4</sup>\_\_\_\_\_ (cycle), but sometimes we <sup>5</sup>\_\_\_\_\_ (take) trains or <sup>6</sup>\_\_\_\_\_ (travel) by coach.
- PAUL** How many countries <sup>7</sup>\_\_\_\_\_ you \_\_\_\_\_ (visit)?
- KLARA** Most countries in Central Asia, but we <sup>8</sup>\_\_\_\_\_ \_\_\_\_\_ (not go) to Tajikistan.
- PAUL** What <sup>9</sup>\_\_\_\_\_ you \_\_\_\_\_ (enjoy) most?
- KLARA** Meeting the people – they <sup>10</sup>\_\_\_\_\_ (be) so friendly.

## PAST SIMPLE THEORY

Les dejo la teoría para que puedan repasar las reglas del Past Simple.

### 6A Past simple: be



My grandparents **were** at school together, but they **weren't** friends.

We use *was / were* to talk about the past.  
*was / were* are the past forms of *am / is / are*.  
 We often use past time expressions with *was / were*, e.g. *yesterday, last year, in 2012*.

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I / he / she / it	<i>I was</i>	<i>at home yesterday.</i>	<i>He wasn't</i>	<i>at home yesterday.</i>
you / we / they	<i>They were</i>	<i>at home yesterday.</i>	<i>We weren't</i>	<i>at home yesterday.</i>

	Yes/No questions		Short answers	
I / he / she / it	<i>Was she</i>	<i>at home yesterday?</i>	Yes, No,	<i>she was</i> <i>she wasn't</i>
you / we / they	<i>Were you</i>	<i>at home yesterday?</i>	Yes, No,	<i>we were</i> <i>we weren't</i>

	Wh- questions		
I / he / she / it	<i>Where</i>	<i>was he</i>	<i>yesterday?</i>
you / we / they	<i>Where</i>	<i>were you</i>	<i>yesterday?</i>

We can also use *there was / there were*:  
**There was** a computer on the table.  
**There were** some chairs in the garden.

### 6B Past simple: positive

#### Past simple

We use the past simple to describe completed actions in the past.

We often use past time expressions with the past simple, e.g. *yesterday, last week, when I was a child*.

▶ 2.51

*I arrived* last night.

*I bought* a new car last week.

*I often visited* my grandmother when I was a child.

*I sometimes went* to the theatre when I lived in London.

*I liked* sweets a lot when I was young.

*I had* a lot of friends at school.



My parents **bought** me a guitar when I was 12. I **loved** it.

#### Regular and irregular verbs

Past simple verbs are the same for all persons: *I / you / we / they / he / she / it*.

*I worked. She worked. They worked.*

*You went. He went. We went.*

Some verbs are regular. We add *-ed* to make the past simple:  
 work → *worked*      help → *helped*

Some verbs are irregular and you will need to learn their past forms:

meet → *met*      buy → *bought*

There is a list of irregular verbs on p.176.

#### SPELLING: regular verbs

most verbs → add <i>-ed</i>	<i>start</i> → <i>started</i> <i>watch</i> → <i>watched</i>
verb ends in <i>-e</i> → add <i>-d</i>	<i>live</i> → <i>lived</i> <i>die</i> → <i>died</i>
verb ends in consonant + <i>-y</i> → change <i>-y</i> to <i>-i</i> then add <i>-ed</i>	<i>try</i> → <i>tried</i> <i>cry</i> → <i>cried</i>
verb ends in one vowel (a, e, i, o, u) and one consonant (g, n, t, etc.) → double the consonant and add <i>-ed</i>	<i>stop</i> → <i>stopped</i> <i>plan</i> → <i>planned</i>
never double the consonants <i>w, x</i> or <i>y</i> → add <i>-ed</i> only	<i>show</i> → <i>showed</i> <i>play</i> → <i>played</i>

## 7A Past simple: negatives and questions

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I / he / she / it / you / we / they	I <b>enjoyed</b> the trip. I <b>took</b> the train.	He <b>didn't</b> He <b>didn't</b>	<b>enjoy</b> the trip. <b>take</b> the train.
	Yes/No questions		Short answers
I / he / she / it / you / we / they	<b>Did they</b> <b>Did they</b>	<b>enjoy</b> the trip? <b>take</b> the train?	Yes, <b>they did</b> . No, <b>they didn't</b> .
	Wh- questions		
I / he / she / it / you / we / they	Where	<b>did you</b>	<b>go</b> ?

### Tip

Remember, don't change the main verb in questions and negatives:  
I didn't **enjoy** it. (NOT I didn't ~~enjoyed~~ it.)  
Did you **enjoy** it? (NOT Did you ~~enjoyed~~ it?)



## PAST SIMPLE EXTRA PRACTICE

[https://es.liveworksheets.com/worksheets/en/English as a Second Language \(ESL\)/Past simple questions/WAS-WERE and DID questions\\_ap31441ck](https://es.liveworksheets.com/worksheets/en/English+as+a+Second+Language+(ESL)/Past+simple+questions/WAS-WERE+and+DID+questions_ap31441ck)

[https://es.liveworksheets.com/worksheets/en/English as a Second Language \(ESL\)/Irregular verbs/PAST SIMPLE \(irregular verbs\)\\_qf7369tb](https://es.liveworksheets.com/worksheets/en/English+as+a+Second+Language+(ESL)/Irregular+verbs/PAST+SIMPLE+(irregular+verbs)_qf7369tb)

[https://es.liveworksheets.com/worksheets/en/English as a Second Language \(ESL\)/Past simple/Past simple. Regular verbs.\\_ba5022ls](https://es.liveworksheets.com/worksheets/en/English+as+a+Second+Language+(ESL)/Past+simple/Past+simple.+Regular+verbs._ba5022ls)

[https://es.liveworksheets.com/worksheets/en/English as a Second Language \(ESL\)/Past simple/Past Simple unscramble the sentences\\_so7203cu](https://es.liveworksheets.com/worksheets/en/English+as+a+Second+Language+(ESL)/Past+simple/Past+Simple+unscramble+the+sentences_so7203cu)

[https://es.liveworksheets.com/worksheets/en/English as a Second Language \(ESL\)/Past simple/Past Simple Tense\\_ep16513vu](https://es.liveworksheets.com/worksheets/en/English+as+a+Second+Language+(ESL)/Past+simple/Past+Simple+Tense_ep16513vu)

## ANSWERS (PAGE 71)

### Exercise 4

b) Hans travelled by train.

c) 1- Russia

2- Samarkand, Tashkent and Almaty

3- no

4- \$25,000

d) 1- true

2- true

3- false (He says the train was very comfortable)

4- true

### Exercise 5 e

1 was      2 was      3 did/travel      4 cycled      5 took      6 travelled

7 did/visit      8 didn't go      9 did/enjoy      10 were