

# 6 | Language reference

## GRAMMAR

### Past simple irregular verbs

Many common verbs are irregular in the past simple.

*eat – ate   go – went   make – made   see – saw  
have – had*

There is a list of past simple irregular verbs on page 159.

#### Affirmative

I		
You		
He/She/It	went	to the party.
We		
They		

The rules for the negative and question are the same as past simple regular verbs. See Language reference 5, page 60.

### Past time expressions & *ago*

Use the following expressions with the past tense.  
*yesterday, last night/week/Saturday/month/year*

These expressions go at the beginning or end of a sentence.

*I saw a film **last night**.*

***Yesterday** I had English class.*

We also use periods of time + *ago* with the past tense. It usually goes at the end of a sentence.

*I saw the film **two weeks ago**.*

*They booked their tickets **six months ago**.*

### Adverbs of manner

Use adverbs of manner to say how we do something.

*The actor cried **quietly**.*

*The football team played **well**.*

Adverbs of manner usually go at the end of the sentence. To make an adverb of manner, you usually add *-ly* to the adjective.

*quiet – quietly   slow – slowly   bad – badly*

For adjectives that end in *-y*, change *y* to *-ily*.

*easy – easily   noisy – noisily*

There are some adverbs that do not change.

*late – late   fast – fast   hard – hard   early – early*

The adverb for *good* is *well*.

*They are **good** players. They play **well**.*

## FUNCTIONAL LANGUAGE

### Talking about likes & dislikes

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*I really like ...*

*I love ...*

*I think ... is wonderful/great/excellent.*

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*I like ...*

*I think ... is good.*

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*I don't mind ...*

*It's OK.*

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*I don't like ...*

*I'm not crazy about ...*

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*I hate ...*

*I can't stand ...*

*I think ... is/are terrible/awful/horrible.*

## WORD LIST

## Celebrations

birthday <i>n C **</i>	/ˈbɜː(r)θdeɪ/
ceremony <i>n C/U **</i>	/ˈserəməni/
champagne <i>n U</i>	/ʃæmˈpeɪn/
congratulate <i>v *</i>	/kənˈgrætʃuleɪt/
New Year's Eve <i>n C **</i>	/njuː jɪə(r)z ɪv/
retirement <i>n C/U *</i>	/rɪˈtaɪə(r)mənt/
wedding <i>n C ***</i>	/ˈwedɪŋ/

## Films &amp; books

cartoon <i>n C *</i>	/kɑː(r)ˈtuːn/
comedy <i>n C/U **</i>	/ˈkɒmədi/
horror <i>n C/U **</i>	/ˈhɒrə(r)/
love story <i>n C</i>	/lʌv stɔːri/
romance <i>n C/U *</i>	/rəʊˈmæns/
science fiction <i>n U *</i>	/ˈsaɪəns fɪkʃ(ə)n/
thriller <i>n C *</i>	/ˈθrɪlə(r)/
western <i>n C ***</i>	/ˈwestə(r)n/

## Feelings

angry <i>adj ***</i>	/ˈæŋɡri/
bored <i>adj **</i>	/bɔː(r)d/
happy <i>adj ***</i>	/ˈhæpi/
nervous <i>adj **</i>	/ˈnɜː(r)vəs/
sad <i>adj ***</i>	/sæd/

## Adjectives of opinion

awful <i>adj **</i>	/ˈɔːf(ə)l/
bad <i>adj ***</i>	/bæd/
excellent <i>adj ***</i>	/ˈeksələnt/
good <i>adj ***</i>	/ɡʊd/
great <i>adj ***</i>	/ɡreɪt/
horrible <i>adj **</i>	/ˈhɒrəb(ə)l/
lovely <i>adj ***</i>	/ˈlʌvli/
nice <i>adj ***</i>	/naɪs/
terrible <i>adj ***</i>	/ˈterəb(ə)l/
wonderful <i>adj ***</i>	/ˈwʌndə(r)f(ə)l/

## Other words &amp; phrases

acceptable <i>adj **</i>	/əkˈseptəb(ə)l/
act <i>v ***</i>	/ækt/
actor <i>n C ***</i>	/ˈæktə(r)/
athlete <i>n C *</i>	/ˈæθli:t/
author <i>n C ***</i>	/ˈɔːθə(r)/
boat ride <i>n C</i>	/bəʊt raɪd/
buy <i>v ***</i>	/baɪ/
cry <i>v ***</i>	/kraɪ/
fall <i>v ***</i>	/fɔːl/
favourite <i>adj **</i>	/ˈfeɪv(ə)rət/
feel <i>v ***</i>	/fi:l/
health <i>n U ***</i>	/helθ/
horse <i>n C ***</i>	/hɔː(r)s/
medal <i>n C **</i>	/ˈmed(ə)l/
president <i>n C ***</i>	/ˈprezɪdənt/
psychologist <i>n C **</i>	/saɪˈkɒlədʒɪst/
stress <i>n C/U ***</i>	/stres/
symbol <i>n C **</i>	/ˈsɪmb(ə)l/
twice <i>adv ***</i>	/twaɪs/
was born <i>v</i>	/wəz bɔː(r)n/
weekend <i>n C ***</i>	/ˈwi:kˈend/
win <i>v ***</i>	/wɪn/