Past simple

REGULAR VERBS

PRESENT SIMPLE

I <u>work</u> all day.

He starts his job at 8am.

We study English.

They play video games together.

We stop working after lunch.

She always <u>decides</u> what to do.

PAST SIMPLE

I work<u>ed</u> all day <u>on Sunday</u>.

He started his job at 8 am this morning.

We studied adverbs in the last lesson.

They played together <u>last night</u>.

We stopped working before lunch today.

She decided what to do yesterday.

Past simple

- Invariable (except verb TO BE)
- Finished action in a finished time
- Useful time expressions:

yesterday, 2 days ago,

last week, when I was young

NEGATIVE AND INTERROGATIVE FORMS

DID - INFINITIVE

I WORKED – I DIDN'T WORK – DID I WORK?

THEY KNEW – THEY DIDN'T KNOW - DID THEY KNOW?

HE WENT – HE DIDN'T GO – DID HE GO?



verb + ed (regular verbs)



Work – worked

(lavorare)



Play – played

(giocare)



Study – studied



Decide – decided



Stop – stopped

(fermare/fermarsi)

Irregular verbs

PRESENT SIMPLE

We go to English lessons.

They <u>have</u> homework to do.

She <u>makes</u> beds every day.

He often breaks syringes.

I leave work at 7.30pm

You give us exercises each lesson.

PAST SIMPLE

We went to English yesterday.

They <u>had</u> homework 4 days ago.

She made a bed last night.

He <u>broke</u> 2 syringes at the weekend.

I left work at 7.30pm yesterday.

You gave us exercises last lesson.

TO BE

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Exercise

- 1. Last night we _____ (have) a meal in a restaurant.
- 2. I _____ (go) to work at 8.00 yesterday.
- 3. She _____ (make) some photocopies for her meeting last week.
- 4. They _____ (study) for their exam together and both _____ (pass).
- 5. The cardiologist_____ (arrive) in Trieste two days ago.
- 6. The patients all _____ (leave) at 6pm.
- 7. The hospital _____ (be) full last week.