

# 5 C

**G** past simple: regular verbs  
**V** common verbs 3; more irregular verbs  
**P** regular past simple endings

I arrived in Rome at 11.00.

## It changed my life

### 1 GRAMMAR past simple: regular verbs

**a** Every year thousands of Erasmus students go to study for a year at a foreign university. Joanna, from Gdansk in Poland, went to Rome last September. Match the sentences and pictures.



- I kissed my mother goodbye.
- I went to the airport with my mother.
- It was early. We waited at the check-in.
- My friends went to the airport too.
- My mother cried.
- My friends were sad too. They wanted to come.
- They helped me with my cases.
- I arrived in Rome at 11.00.

**b** 5.14 Listen and check. Were you right?

**c** Write the past simple of these regular verbs.

- 1 help \_\_\_\_\_ 4 cry \_\_\_\_\_
- 2 wait \_\_\_\_\_ 5 want \_\_\_\_\_
- 3 kiss \_\_\_\_\_ 6 arrive \_\_\_\_\_

**d** p.96 Grammar Bank 5C. Read the rules and do the exercises.

### 2 PRONUNCIATION regular past simple endings

**a** 5.16 Listen and repeat the sounds and sentences.

|      |  |
|------|--|
|      | My mother <b>cried</b> .<br>I <b>arrived</b> in Rome at 11.00.             |
|      | I <b>kissed</b> my mother goodbye.<br>They <b>helped</b> me with my cases. |
| /ɪd/ | We <b>waited</b> at the check-in.<br>They <b>wanted</b> to come.           |

**b** 5.17 Listen and repeat the story in 1a. Then cover the sentences and look at the pictures. Tell Joanna's story.

### 3 WRITING & SPEAKING

**a** What did you do yesterday / last night / this morning? Write true (+) or false (-) sentences.

| yesterday            | last night       | this morning          |
|----------------------|------------------|-----------------------|
| play a computer game | watch TV         | listen to the radio   |
| use the Internet     | study English    | walk to work / school |
| check my emails      | talk to a friend | wait for a bus        |

**b** Tell a partner. Did you do the same things?

I didn't play a computer game yesterday.  
I used the Internet...

### 4 VOCABULARY common verbs 3

**a** Can you remember? Match 1-8 to a-h.

- 1 drive  a photos
- 2 see  b money
- 3 hear  c a film
- 4 come  d the piano
- 5 take  e by credit card
- 6 play  f a noise
- 7 pay  g to class
- 8 change  h a car

**b** p.113 Vocabulary Bank Common verbs 3. Do part A.

## 5 READING & SPEAKING

- a Look only at the pictures in 1a. Can you remember Joanna's story?
- b Which of these things do you think were problems for Joanna when she arrived in Rome? In pairs, tick (✓) or cross (✗) **My guess**.

|                   | My guess                 | What Joanna said         |
|-------------------|--------------------------|--------------------------|
| where to live     | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| making friends    | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| the weather       | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| the food          | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| the language      | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| Italian men       | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| money             | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| different customs | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> |

- c Now read what Joanna wrote on an Erasmus website. Tick (✓) or cross (✗) **What Joanna said**. Were you right?

### *I lived, I loved, I cried...*

I stayed the first night at a hotel. In the morning I bought a map and went to see the University, and I rented a room in a house. I walked through the city to my classes every morning – Italian men said: 'Ciao bella!' I liked it!

I spoke a little Italian from school but when I arrived in Rome I couldn't understand people, and I spoke English or Polish with other Erasmus students. But then I started going to Italian classes and I also made friends with some Italians. They helped me a lot! After three months I could speak quite well. Another problem was that Rome is very expensive, but I found a job in an Irish pub and I worked three evenings a week.

I learnt a lot about Italy and Italians: you can't start the day without 'un caffè'; Italian food is the best in the world – but don't ask for ketchup! And the number one topic of conversation in bars is politics and football.

Erasmus changed my life. I lived a different life in a fantastic city. I met new people from all over the world and made some wonderful friends.

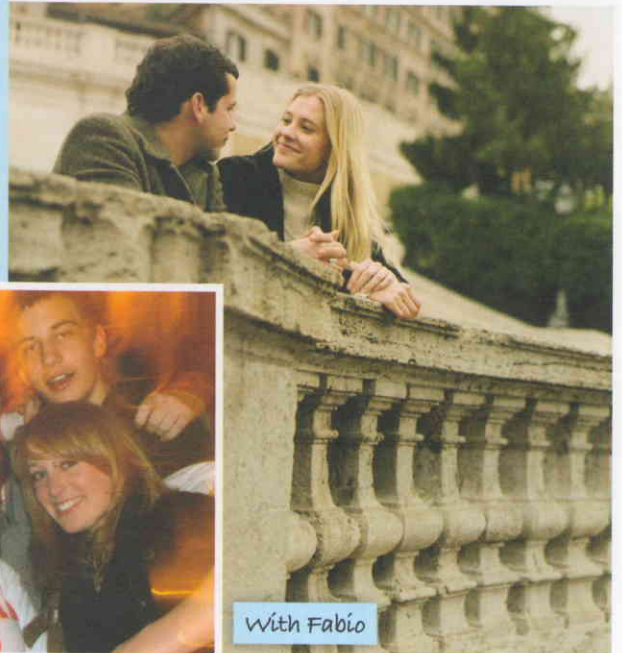
I learnt to understand another culture.

Of course it wasn't all perfect – living in another country isn't easy, and an Italian boy broke my heart!

I came back from Italy a year ago, but a small part of me stayed in Rome. I drink espresso every morning, eat a lot of pasta, and I use my hands a lot when I speak. Now I feel European, not only Polish!



My friends



With Fabio

- d Read the text again and find the past simple of the verbs. Write **R** (regular) or **I** (irregular).

|               |  |
|---------------|--|
| 1 stay        | _____ <b>R</b>                         |
| 2 buy         | _____ <input type="checkbox"/>         |
| 3 rent        | _____ <input type="checkbox"/>         |
| 4 say         | _____ <input type="checkbox"/>         |
| 5 like        | _____ <input type="checkbox"/>         |
| 6 speak       | _____ <input type="checkbox"/>         |
| 7 can / can't | _____ / _____ <input type="checkbox"/> |
| 8 start       | _____ <input type="checkbox"/>         |
| 9 make        | _____ <input type="checkbox"/>         |
| 10 find       | _____ <input type="checkbox"/>         |
| 11 learn      | _____ <input type="checkbox"/>         |
| 12 change     | _____ <input type="checkbox"/>         |
| 13 live       | _____ <input type="checkbox"/>         |
| 14 meet       | _____ <input type="checkbox"/>         |
| 15 break      | _____ <input type="checkbox"/>         |
| 16 come back  | _____ <input type="checkbox"/>         |

- e **5.19** Listen and check. Listen again and repeat.
- f Do you know anyone who went to live or study in another country? Where did they go? Did they have a good time?



The Forum

### WORDS AND PHRASES TO LEARN

make friends  
 break your heart  
 use your hands  
 the best in the world  
 speak Italian quite well  
 I feel European.  
 a year / three days / a week ago

5A past simple: *be*

5.2 Listen and repeat the examples. Then read the rules.

| +                                    | -   |
|--------------------------------------|---|
| I <b>was</b> a teacher.              | I <b>wasn't</b> a teacher. ( <i>wasn't = was not</i> )                |
| You <b>were</b> at school yesterday. | You <b>weren't</b> at school yesterday. ( <i>weren't = were not</i> ) |
| He <b>was</b> at home last night.    | He <b>wasn't</b> at home last night.                                  |
| It <b>was</b> hot last week.         | It <b>wasn't</b> hot last week.                                       |
| We <b>were</b> at work.              | We <b>weren't</b> at work.  |
| You <b>were</b> in a hurry.          | You <b>weren't</b> in a hurry.  |
| They <b>were</b> in Canada.          | They <b>weren't</b> in Canada.  |

| ?                              | ✓                       | ✗                         |
|--------------------------------|-------------------------|---------------------------|
| Were you late?                 | Yes, I <b>was</b> .     | No, I <b>wasn't</b> .     |
| Was she a singer?              | Yes, she <b>was</b> .   | No, she <b>wasn't</b> .   |
| Were they in Mexico last week? | Yes, they <b>were</b> . | No, they <b>weren't</b> . |

- Present to past:  
*am / is* → **was**, *are* → **were**  
He **is** at home today.  
He **was** at home yesterday.
- Use the past simple to talk about finished past time.
- You can use the past simple with these past time expressions: *this morning, yesterday, last night, last week, last month, last year.*

5B past simple: *have, go, get*

5.11 Listen and repeat the examples. Then read the rules.

| +                                | -   |
|----------------------------------|---|
| I <b>got up</b> early yesterday. | I <b>didn't get up</b> early yesterday. ( <i>didn't = did not</i> ) |
| You <b>had</b> breakfast in bed. | You <b>didn't have</b> breakfast in bed.                            |
| He <b>went</b> to work by car.   | He <b>didn't go</b> to work by car.                                 |
| We <b>got up</b> late today.     | We <b>didn't get up</b> late today.                                 |
| You <b>went</b> to school.       | You <b>didn't go</b> to school.                                     |
| They <b>had</b> dinner at home.  | They <b>didn't have</b> dinner at home.                             |

| ?                                      | ✓                      | ✗                        |
|--|------------------------|--------------------------|
| Did you <b>go</b> to school yesterday? | Yes, I <b>did</b> .    | No, I <b>didn't</b> .    |
| Did she <b>get up</b> early?           | Yes, she <b>did</b> .  | No, she <b>didn't</b> .  |
| Did they <b>have</b> lunch at work?    | Yes, they <b>did</b> . | No, they <b>didn't</b> . |

- Use the past simple for finished past time.
- *have, go, and get* are **irregular** verbs.
- Present to past:  
+ I **have** → I **had**  
I **go** → I **went**  
I **get** → I **got**  
- I **don't have / go / get**  
→ I **didn't have / go / get**  
NOT I **didn't went**  
? Do you **have / go / get**...?  
→ **Did you have / go / get**...?  
NOT Did you **went**?  
• *Did* is the past of *do*.
- The past simple is the same for all persons.

## 5C past simple: regular verbs

5.15 Listen and repeat the examples. Then read the rules.

| +                                    | -   |
|--------------------------------------|---|
| I <b>arrived</b> early.              | I <b>didn't arrive</b> early.             |
| You <b>finished</b> the book.        | You <b>didn't finish</b> the book.        |
| He <b>wanted</b> a coffee.           | He <b>didn't want</b> a coffee.           |
| The film <b>ended</b> at 7.00.       | The film <b>didn't end</b> at 7.00.       |
| We <b>studied</b> Spanish at school. | We <b>didn't study</b> Spanish at school. |
| You <b>worked</b> late.              | You <b>didn't work</b> late.              |
| They <b>stopped</b> at a café.       | They <b>didn't stop</b> at a café.        |

| ?                                  | ✓                      | ✗                        |
|------------------------------------|------------------------|--------------------------|
| Did you <b>watch</b> TV yesterday? | Yes, I <b>did</b> .    | No, I <b>didn't</b> .    |
| Did she <b>walk</b> to work?       | Yes, she <b>did</b> .  | No, she <b>didn't</b> .  |
| Did they <b>play</b> tennis?       | Yes, they <b>did</b> . | No, they <b>didn't</b> . |

- **regular** past verbs:  
+ = verb + *ed*, e.g. *work* → *worked*
- verbs with final *e* = + *d*, e.g. *change* → *changed*  
verbs with final consonant + *y* = *y* + *ied*,  
e.g. *cry* → *cried*  
verbs with final consonant / vowel / consonant =  
double final consonant + *ed*,  
e.g. *stop* → *stopped*, *prefer* → *preferred*
- - = I **didn't arrive** early NOT I **didn't arrived**  
? = Did you **watch** TV...? NOT Did you **watched**

## 5A

a Write sentences with *was* and *were*.

- We / at home last night [-] We weren't at home last night.
- 1 / you at school yesterday [?] \_\_\_\_\_
- 2 James / in the meeting [-] \_\_\_\_\_
- 3 We / on the plane at 4.00 [+]  
\_\_\_\_\_
- 4 / they in class yesterday [?] \_\_\_\_\_
- 5 David / very happy last night [-] \_\_\_\_\_
- 6 I / at work until 8.00 today [+]  
\_\_\_\_\_
- 7 / your sister in Boston last week [?] \_\_\_\_\_
- 8 It / a terrible film [+]  
\_\_\_\_\_

b Complete the dialogues with *was*, *wasn't*, *were*, or *weren't*.

- A Where <sup>1</sup> were you last night?  
B I <sup>2</sup> \_\_\_\_\_ at work all evening.
- A No, you <sup>3</sup> \_\_\_\_\_. You <sup>4</sup> \_\_\_\_\_ with Miriam!  
B No, I <sup>5</sup> \_\_\_\_\_!
- A <sup>6</sup> \_\_\_\_\_ Gloria Estefan a teacher?  
B No, she <sup>7</sup> \_\_\_\_\_. She <sup>8</sup> \_\_\_\_\_ a translator.
- A <sup>9</sup> \_\_\_\_\_ you in Milan yesterday?  
B No, we <sup>10</sup> \_\_\_\_\_. We <sup>11</sup> \_\_\_\_\_ in Rome.
- A <sup>12</sup> \_\_\_\_\_ the film good?  
B No, it <sup>13</sup> \_\_\_\_\_. It <sup>14</sup> \_\_\_\_\_ very slow!

## 5B

a Write the sentences in the past simple with *yesterday*.

I don't go to the gym.  
I didn't go to the gym yesterday.

- 1 She has cereal for breakfast.  
\_\_\_\_\_
- 2 Do you go to the cinema?  
\_\_\_\_\_
- 3 We don't have lunch.  
\_\_\_\_\_
- 4 They go home at 8.00.  
\_\_\_\_\_
- 5 What time do you get up?  
\_\_\_\_\_
- 6 She doesn't go to school by bus.  
\_\_\_\_\_
- 7 Jack gets up late.  
\_\_\_\_\_
- 8 What do you have for dinner?  
\_\_\_\_\_

b Complete the sentences with the bold verb in the past simple [+], [-], or [?].

- A Did you go to bed early last night? (**go**)  
B Yes, I did. I went to bed at 9.30!
- 1 A What \_\_\_\_\_ you \_\_\_\_\_ for lunch today? (**have**)  
B I \_\_\_\_\_ fish. What's for dinner?
- 2 Carla \_\_\_\_\_ to her English class today. (**not go**)  
3 A Where \_\_\_\_\_ you \_\_\_\_\_ last night? (**go**)  
B We \_\_\_\_\_ to the cinema.
- 4 A What time \_\_\_\_\_ the children \_\_\_\_\_? (**get up**)  
B Late! They \_\_\_\_\_ at 11.00.
- 5 I'm very hungry. I \_\_\_\_\_ breakfast this morning. (**not have**)

## 5C

a Write the sentences in the past simple.

He smokes a lot.  
He smoked a lot.

- 1 We work in a bank.  
\_\_\_\_\_
- 2 He finishes work late.  
\_\_\_\_\_
- 3 They live in Brazil.  
\_\_\_\_\_
- 4 I worry a lot.  
\_\_\_\_\_
- 5 She walks to work.  
\_\_\_\_\_
- 6 The train stops in Barcelona.  
\_\_\_\_\_
- 7 We play tennis.  
\_\_\_\_\_
- 8 You talk a lot!  
\_\_\_\_\_

b Complete the dialogues with the bold verb in the past simple [+], [-], or [?].

- A Did you play golf last weekend? (**play**)  
B Yes, I played on Saturday.
- 1 A Where \_\_\_\_\_ you \_\_\_\_\_ the car? (**park**)  
B I \_\_\_\_\_ it near the restaurant.
- 2 A \_\_\_\_\_ you \_\_\_\_\_ your homework? (**finish**)  
B No, I \_\_\_\_\_ it. It was very late.
- 3 A What \_\_\_\_\_ you \_\_\_\_\_ at university? (**study**)  
B I \_\_\_\_\_ economics.
- 4 A \_\_\_\_\_ you \_\_\_\_\_ the film? (**like**)  
B No, I \_\_\_\_\_ it very much. The actors were terrible.
- 5 A \_\_\_\_\_ you \_\_\_\_\_ TV last night? (**watch**)  
B Yes, we \_\_\_\_\_ a very good programme.
- 6 A \_\_\_\_\_ you \_\_\_\_\_ the door when you went out? (**close**)  
B Of course I \_\_\_\_\_ it!

## A

a 5.18 Listen and repeat the verb phrases.



arrive at the airport



learn a language



break your leg  
/breɪk/



meet a friend



buy a ticket  
/baɪ/



rent a car



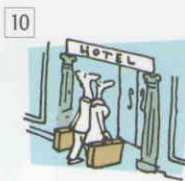
come back from holiday



say hello



find a job  
/faɪnd/



stay at a hotel

**arrive** in a country / city, e.g. Italy, Rome  
at a building, e.g. the airport, a friend's house

**meet** a person for the first time



**meet** at the station



**meet** friends after work

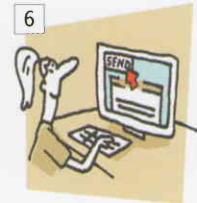


## B

a 6.13 Listen and repeat the verb phrases.



call a friend



send an email



get a letter



take an umbrella



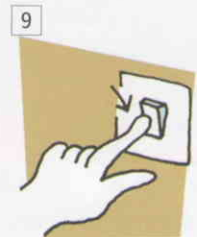
give a present



tell somebody a story



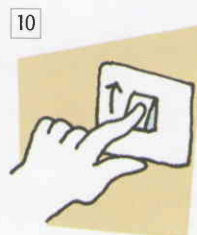
leave the cinema




turn on the light




lose your keys  
/lu:z/



turn off the light

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