

past simple regular and irregular verbs

V holidays

P -ed endings, irregular verbs

When did you go there? I went when I was 17.

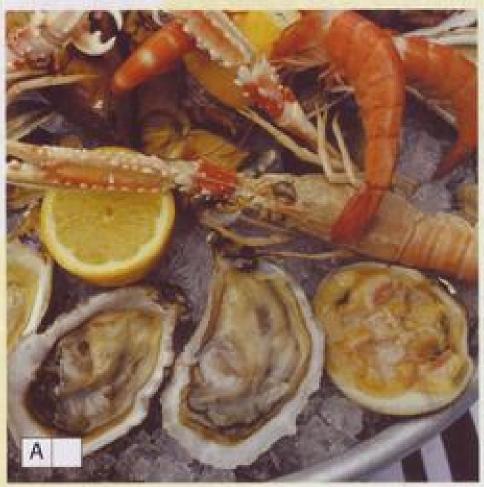
Right place, wrong time

1 VOCABULARY holidays

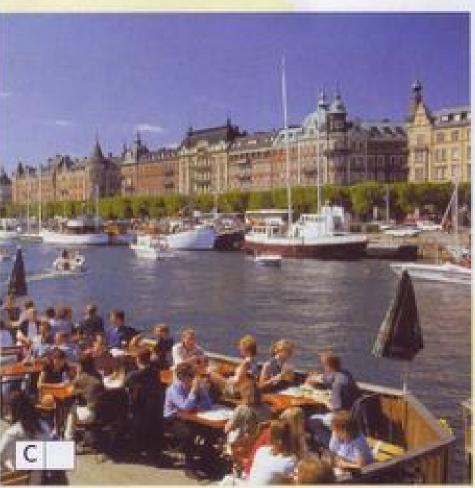
- a In one minute, write down five things you like doing when you're on holiday.
- p.147 Vocabulary Bank Holidays.

The Holiday Magazine

In the right place... but at the wrong time!







Last week we asked you to tell us about a holiday when the destination was perfect but, for some reason, the time wasn't right... Here are some of your replies.

When I was a teenager I went on in France. My parents rented a

Tim, 20, student from Manchester

holiday with my parents to Brittany lovely house on the beach, and the weather was great. But I was 17, and I didn't want to be on holiday with my mum and dad and my little brother. I wanted to be with my friends. We went to the beach every day and sunbathed and we went to a fantastic seafood restaurant for my birthday. But I was miserable and I hated every minute of it. I didn't smile once in two weeks. What really made me furious was that my parents let my older sister, who was 19, go to Spain with her friends.

Gabriela, 28, marketing manager from Rome

I'm from Rome and the summer here is really hot. So last year my husband and I decided to go to Sweden, to escape from the heat. We booked a 10-day holiday in Stockholm, where the temperature in the summer is normally about 20 degrees. But when we got to Stockholm there was a heatwave and it was 35 degrees every day. It was awful because there was no air-conditioning anywhere. We couldn't sleep at night - it was boiling in the hotel, and in the shops and museums too. We didn't want to go shopping or go sightseeing or do anything - we were too hot. We just sat in cafés and argued all day. We didn't need to go to Sweden to do that!

Kelly, 26, TV journalist from Belfast

Three years ago I broke up with my boyfriend and I decided to go on holiday on my own to the Seychelles. My travel agent told me that it was a wonderful place. But he didn't tell me that it was also a very popular place for people on their honeymoon. Everywhere I looked I saw couples holding hands and looking romantically into each other's eyes! The travel agent also said it was always sunny there - but the weather was terrible - it was cloudy and very windy. To pass the time I decided to do a diving course (one of my lifetime ambitions). But it was a complete disaster because the first time I went under the water I had a panic attack. I couldn't escape from the island so I spent an incredibly boring (and expensive) two weeks in 'paradise'.

2 READING

- a Read the three letters to The Holiday Magazine and match them with the photos.
- b Complete the sentences with Tim, Gabriela, or Kelly.
 - wanted to go somewhere hot.
 - wanted to go somewhere cool.
 - had great food.
 - wanted to forget somebody.
 - had problems sleeping.
 - wanted to go on holiday with different people.
- c Find four adjectives in the article that mean very good and two that mean very bad. Underline the stressed syllable. lovely (text 1)

3 GRAMMAR past simple regular and irregular

a What's the past simple of these verbs? Are they regular or irregular? Check your answers with text 1.

| be | go | rent | | |
|------|----------|------|-----|--|
| want | sunbathe | make | let | |

- b Now underline the other + past simple verbs in texts 2 and 3. What are the infinitives?
- Underline two negative past simple verbs in the magazine article. How do you make negatives and questions in the past simple...?
 - · with normal verbs
 - · with was / were
 - with could
- d Op.128 Grammar Bank 2A. Read the rules and do the exercises.

4 PRONUNCIATION regular and irregular verbs

A Remember! There are three possible pronunciations of regular -ed verbs.

2.1 Listen and repeat the sentences. When do you pronounce the e in -ed?

| | d. | /ɪd/ |
|---|----|---|
| We booked a holiday. We walked to the hotel. | | They rented a house. We decided to go to Sweden. |

b How do you pronounce the past simple of these verbs?

| ask | hate | need | smile | stay | talk |
|-----|------|------|--------|------|------|
| ask | Hate | need | SHILLE | stay | taik |

- 2.2 Listen and check.
- Circle the irregular verb with the different vowel sound.

came

- 1 bought saw told caught
- 2 put spoke took could 3 paid said made



5 LISTENING

- a 2.3 Listen to the story about Sean's uncle and aunt. Why was the holiday a disaster?
 - 1 Because the weather was awful.
 - 2 Because the place was very noisy.
 - 3 Because they argued a lot.
- b Listen again. Correct the wrong information.
 - 1 Sean went to Ibiza. His aunt and uncle went to Ibiza.
 - 2 They're about sixty.
 - 3 They wanted an exciting holiday.
 - 4 They usually spend their holidays abroad.
 - 5 They knew it was 'The Party Island'.
 - 6 They first went there in the 1950s.
 - 7 They booked the holiday at a travel agent's.
 - 8 The hotel was in a quiet part of town.
 - 9 They're going to go abroad again next year.

6 SPEAKING

a Think about your answers to these questions.

four last holida

Where / go? When? Who / go with? How / get there? Where / stay? How long / be / there? / have good weather? What / do during the day? What / do at night? / have a good time? / have any problems?

- b Work in pairs.
 - A Ask a partner about his / her holiday.
 - B Listen and ask for more information.
- c Swap roles.

2A past simple regular and irregular

| | + | | | |
|---|------------------------|----------------------|------------------|------------------------------------|
| I You He She It We They | stayed in went on h | a hotel. noliday. | didn't didn't | stay in a hotel. go on holiday. |
| VX? | Did you Did you | stay in a | | Yes I did. No, I didn't. |

- · Use the past simple to talk about finished actions in the past.
- The past simple is the same for all persons.
- Use the infinitive after Did...? and didn't for negatives and questions.

| infinitive | past |
|------------|---|
| work | worked |
| stay | stayed |
| like | liked (just add d if verb finishes in e) |
| study | studied (y>i after a consonant) |
| stop | stopped (if verb finishes in |
| | consonant–vowel–consonant, double the final consonant) |

- To make the past simple + of regular verbs add -ed.
 Remember the spelling rules.
- Many common verbs are irregular in + past simple, for example go>went. See the Irregular verb list on p.155.

2B past continuous: was / were + verb + ing

| + | I He was working She It | You We were working They |
|-------|-------------------------------------|---|
| | I He wasn't working She It | You We weren't working They |
| ? V X | | les, he was. No, he wasn't. les, they were. No, they weren't. |

past simple or past continuous?

When I took the photo, they were writing a song. I was sitting at home when I saw the news on TV.

- Use the past simple for a completed action.
 I took the photo. / I saw the news.
- Use the past continuous for an action in progress.
 They were writing a song. / I was sitting at home.

Use the past continuous to describe an action in progress at a specific moment in the past.
 At six o'clock last night I was driving home.
 On April 1st I was staying with some friends in the country.

2C questions with and without auxiliaries

Questions with an auxiliary

| Question | Auxiliary | Subject | Infinitive |
|------------|-----------|---------|------------|
| What music | do | you | like? |
| Which CD | did | he | buy? |
| Who | did | you | go with? |

- To make questions in the past and present simple, we normally use the auxiliary verbs do / does / did + the infinitive.
 - What music do you like? NOT What music you like?
- The normal order for questions in the present and past is QUASI (See p.126 1A).

Questions without an auxiliary

| Subject | Verb | |
|------------------------------|------|--|
| What Which country Who | won | after the concert? the Eurovision Song Contest? their songs? |

When the question word (Who? What? Which? How many?)
is the <u>subject</u> of the verb in the question, we do <u>not</u> use an
auxiliary (do, does, did) and the verb is in the third person.
Who writes their songs? NOT Who does write their songs?

2D so, because, but, although

because and so

She was driving fast because she was in a hurry. (reason)
She was in a hurry so she was driving fast. (result)

Hannah spoke to the DJ because they didn't like the music. (reason)
They didn't like the music so Hannah spoke to the DJ. (result)

- Use because to express a reason.
- Use so to express a result.

but and although

She tried to stop but she hit the man.

Although she tried to stop, she hit the man.

It was late but she couldn't sleep.

She couldn't sleep although it was late.

- · Use but and although to show a contrast.
- Although can go at the beginning or in the middle of the sentence.

| | ж | ۰ | | | н |
|---|-----|----|----|---|---|
| | 100 | 88 | 14 | п | н |
| | 14 | ø | а | ш | 1 |
| | a | н | a | | п |
| - | - | _ | - | | |

| 2 | A | | | | | | | |
|----|--|--|----------------------------------|--|--|--|--|--|
| a | Put the verbs in brackets in the past simple. | ь | Re-order the words | to make q | uestions. | | | |
| | Two summers ago we <u>had</u> (have) a holiday in Scotland. We ¹ (drive) there from London, but our car ² | | Where did you go on Vancouver | n holiday? { | go where holiday you on did? | | | |
| | (break) down on the motorway and we 3 (spend) the | | 1 ? time did have you good a? | | | | | |
| | first night in Birmingham. When we 4(get) to Edinburgh we 5 (not can) find a good hotel – they 6 (be) | | Yes, it was great. | 2 - 1-1 11 | | | | |
| | all full. We 7 (not know) what to do but in the end we | | With some friends. | | who go you? | | | |
| | 8 (find) a bed and breakfast and we 9 (stay) there | | 3 | | ere did you? | | | |
| | for the week. We 10 (see) the castle, 11 (go) to the Arts Festival, and we 12 (buy) a lot of souvenirs. We | | In a hotel. | | | | | |
| | 15 (want) to go to Loch Ness but we 14 (not have | | 4 | | | | | |
| | much time and it 15 (be) quite far away. The weather | | Because it was very | | | | | |
| | 16 (be) good, but it 17 (start) raining the day we 18 (leave). | | £500. | _ f now di | d cost plane much the ticket? | | | |
| | we " (leave). | | 2500. | | | | | |
| 2 | В | | | | | | | |
| a | Complete with a verb in the past continuous. | b | Put the verbs into th | ne past sim | ple or past continuous. | | | |
| | 1 He met his wife when he in Japan. (work) | | | | ng dinner. (arrive, have) | | | |
| | 2 They for us when we arrived. (wait) | | | | football. (break, play) | | | |
| | 3 she a coat when she went out? (wear) | | | t when the | police you? | | | |
| | 4 What you at 7.30 last night? (do) | | (drive, stop) | | | | | |
| | 5 I when you gave the instructions. (not list | | | | the pub. (snow, leave) | | | |
| | 6 I when you phoned me. (drive) | | | | I (not see, work) to my boss. (call, talk) | | | |
| | 7 It when I woke up this morning. (not ra | an) | 5 When you | mc, r | to my boss. (can, taik) | | | |
| 2 | C | | | | | | | |
| a | Cross out the wrong question. b | Write t | he questions. Do you | u know the | answers? | | | |
| | What you did / did you do last night? | Who | _said_ 'Hasta la vista, l | baby'? (say | ·) | | | |
| | 1 What happened / did happen to you? | | | d champion | ships? | | | |
| | 2 What means this word / does this word mean? | A STATE OF THE STA | on Senna / win) | | ALLED D | | | |
| | a flow many beoble came / and come to this classi | | n US president th | | ne Nobel Peace Prize in 1990? (win | | | |
| | A Minich bus gage / dage go to the armosts | | n F | | | | | |
| | 5 Which actor won / did win the Oscar this year? | (Nels | on Mandela / become |) | oodin Annea: | | | |
| | 6 What said the teacher / did the teacher say? | 5 Who | T | he Lord of th | ne Rings? (write) | | | |
| | | What | b | efore he bed | came a singer? (Sting / do) | | | |
| 21 | D | Line | | | | | | |
| | | Mat | ch the centence halve | e and com | plete with so, because, | | | |
| ** | We couldn't find a taxi _so_ we walked home. | | or although. | s and com | piete with so, because, | | | |
| | | | vas tired last night _so_ | F | A I lost your e-mail address | | | |
| | it was very cold, she wasn't wearing a coat. I woke up in the night there was a noise. | | e drove quite fast | L | B it was her birthday. | | | |
| | 3 I called him his mobile was turned off. | | s English isn't very good | | C they didn't have any rooms. | | | |
| | 4 she's very nice, she doesn't have many friends. | | honed him at his office | | D he lived in the UK for two years | | | |
| | 5 There was nothing on TV I went to bed. | | e's not feeling very well | | E I went to bed early. | | | |
| | 6 All the cafés were full it was a public holiday. | | idn't write to you | DESCRIPTION OF THE PERSON OF T | F she was in a hurry. | | | |
| | 7 She wanted to be a doctor she failed | | called the hotel | The North | G he was in a meeting. | | | |
| | her exams. | 8 I to | ook her to a restaurant | 16 1K) | H she can't go to class tonight. | | | |

Phrases with go

- a Match the verbs and pictures.
 - go abroad /ə'bro:d/
 - go swimming / sailing
 - go sightseeing
 - go camping
 - go by car / bus / plane / train
 - go to the beach
 - go out at night
 - go away for the weekend
 - go for a walk
- b Cover the phrases and look at the pictures. Test yourself or a partner.



Other holiday activities

Complete the verb phrases.

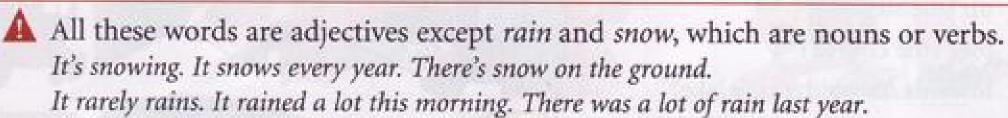
| buy have | hire | meet | rent | spend | stay | sunbathe /'sʌnbeɪð/ | take | walk | | |
|----------|-------------------------|---------|------|-------|---------------------|---------------------|-------------------------------------|-----------|---------|------------------|
| pho | hotel / cotos venirs | ampsite | n. | a | n the be good ti | me i | an apartm in the mo around th | untains / | A CHEST | friends a car |

b Test yourself. Cover the verbs. Remember the phrases.

3 The weather

- a Match the words and pictures.
 - sunny
 - windy
 - foggy
 - cloudy /'klaudi/
 - rain
 - snow
 - hot
 - cold
 - boiling

freezing



- b Test a partner. Imagine you were on holiday last week. Point to a picture.
 - A Say What was the weather like?
 - B Answer in the past simple. It was sunny. It rained.

O p.16