

# Past Simple Tense and Present Perfect Tense



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We use Past Simple Tense for finished actions in the past. We often use Past Simple Tense with time phrases, for example **last week, last year, 3 years ago, in 2021, when I was a child...**

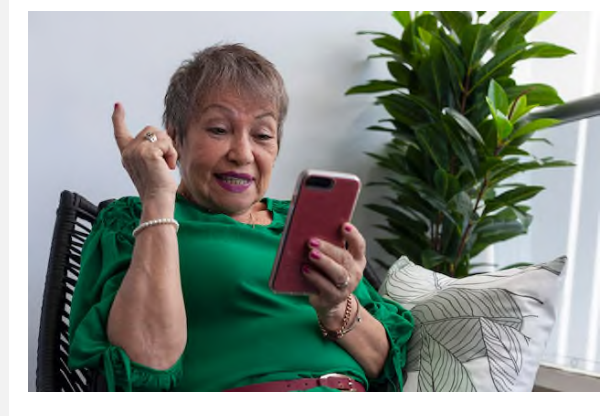
## Past Tense

This is Margarita. Margarita uses her phone every day and likes using different social media apps.

This is what she did last week:

Last week she...

1. Last week she messaged her English teacher on Teams.
2. Last week she listened to Brazilian music on Myspace.
3. Last week she saw a film about dancing on Tik-Tok.
4. Last week she read a message from her brother on WhatsApp.
5. Last week she looked at photos of cats on Facebook.
6. Last week she practised her English by watching a lesson about the past simple tense on Youtube.



1. Underline all the past simple verbs in the 6 sentences above.
2. Which verbs are regular? How do regular verbs in the past tense finish?  
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3. Which verbs are irregular? .....
4. What about you? Which social media apps did you use last week and why?  
.....  
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## Present Perfect Tense

We can use Present Perfect Tense when we don't say when we did something or because something is not finished. We can use Present Perfect Tense with time phrases, for example **this year, this month, today** because these times are not finished, or **don't say when**.

Read about Margarita:

1. This year she has looked at 'how to' videos on Instagram and she has learnt how to draw people.

2. This month she has taken photos of her garden and she has sent them on Snapchat to her brother in Brazil.

3. She has followed the singer Shakira on Twitter and she has read her tweets.

4. She has posted her CV on LinkedIn and she has applied for a new job.



Underline all the present perfect tenses in the sentences above. Write them here:

1. ....
2. ....
3. ....
4. ....
5. ....
6. ....
7. ....
8. ....

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Complete the table with the examples in the past simple and present perfect tense:

Present Tense	Past Simple Tense	Present Perfect Tense (have/has)
	listened	
see		
	read	
		has posted
follow		
		has applied
learn		
		has received
	took	
	messaged	
download		

Complete the sentences with the correct form of the verb, either past simple or present perfect tense:

1. Last week I ..... an email to my teacher because I couldn't come to college. (send)
2. I ..... two films from Netflix today. (download)
3. .... you ..... any photos on Instagram this week? (post)
4. When ..... you ..... Facebook? (join)
5. This morning, I ..... my sister in Scotland. (message)
6. This week I ..... to music on my laptop because my phone is broken. (listen)
7. My brother ..... my texts and replied immediately. (receive)
8. This year I ..... many new things from Tik-Tok. (learn)



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Now write about you. Try to use some of the verbs from the previous page.

What apps have you used? Use present perfect tense. You can use **this year, this month, today...** or don't say when.

1. ....
2. ....
3. ....
4. ....
5. ....
6. ....

Now write about you.

What apps did you use? Use past simple tense. You can use **yesterday, last night, last week, 2 days ago, in 2022...**

1. ....
2. ....
3. ....
4. ....
5. ....
6. ....