

Past Simple: 1) To be: WAS (I,he,she,it) WERE (we,you,they) Eg: Pasteur was a scientist. / Pasteur and Marie Curie were scientists.

Regular verbs: Verb+ed Eg: Thomas Edison invented the light bulb.

Irregular verbs .They don't take the "ED",but change the form. Eg:Take..... took,Go..... went,Speak spoke

2) Negative form: A) To be: Subject +Was/were + not + rest of sentence. Eg: Eiffel WAS NOT a doctor,but he was an engineer. / Roosevelt and Churchill WERE NOT doctors,but they were politicians.

B) Subject + Verb + did+not + infinitive Eg: Mao Tse Tong did not like capitalism./ Vasco De Gama did not climb Mount Everest,but he found a sea route to India. / Marco Polo did not (didn't) explore Australia. / My neighbour did not take his BAC exam last year.

3) Interrogative form: A) Was/were + subject + rest of sentence? Eg: Was the World War II risky for the European countries? / Were you asleep last night when I called you?

B) Did + subject + Infinitive + rest of sentence? Eg: Did the Algerian Liberation War break out in 1954?Yes,it did./ Did James Cook reach the South Pole?No,he did not (didn't).

Exercise N°1: How Columbus discovered America.

Complete the sentences with the verbs in the PAST SIMPLE.

Coloumbus (believe) that the earth (be) round.He (want) to sail west from Europe to India.Coloumbus first (ask) for money and ships from the King of Portugal.The King (refuse)So Columbus (go) to Spain.Queen Isabella (give) him three ships.Columbus (sail) from Spain on August 3rd,1492.Although he (know) about the winds and weather and (be) a good sailor,his men (were) afraid.Things (become)difficult and they (want) to sail back o Spain.Columbus (say) 'No' .The journey (take) ten weeks .Then a sailor (see) a bird.This (prove) that they (be) near land.On October 12th,1492 Columbus (carry) the Spanish flag onto an island.He (name) the island San Salvador.

Exercise N°2: Write questions about Coloumbus and his voyage to America.

Example: Coloumbus believed that the Earth was round (what): What did columbus believe?

1) He wanted to sail west. (Where)

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2) Columbus moved to Spain. (Where)

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3) Columbus sailed from Spain on August 3rd,1492. (When)

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4) The journey took ten weeks. (How long)

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5) A sailor saw a bird (What)

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6) Columbus had three ships from Queen Isabella. (How many)

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