

# *i*Speak English

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## **EXERCISES**

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## Task 1 – Change the verb into the past simple

- 1 I \_\_\_\_\_ (hear) a new song on the radio
- 2 I \_\_\_\_\_ (read) three books last week
- 3 They \_\_\_\_\_ (speak) French to the waitress
- 4 He \_\_\_\_\_ (understand) during the class, but now he doesn't understand
- 5 I \_\_\_\_\_ (forget) to buy some milk
- 6 She \_\_\_\_\_ (have) a baby in June
- 7 You \_\_\_\_\_ (lose) your key last week
- 8 They \_\_\_\_\_ (swim) 500 m
- 9 I \_\_\_\_\_ (give) my mother a CD for Christmas
- 10 At the age of 23, she \_\_\_\_\_ (become) a doctor
- 11 I \_\_\_\_\_ (know) the answer yesterday
- 12 He \_\_\_\_\_ (tell) me that he lived in Toronto
- 13 We \_\_\_\_\_ (lend) John \$200
- 14 She \_\_\_\_\_ (drink) too much coffee yesterday
- 15 The children \_\_\_\_\_ (sleep) in the car
- 16 He \_\_\_\_\_ (keep) his promise
- 17 I \_\_\_\_\_ (choose) steak for dinner
- 18 The film \_\_\_\_\_ (begin) late
- 19 We \_\_\_\_\_ (fly) to Sydney
- 20 They \_\_\_\_\_ (drive) to Beijing

## Task 2 - Make the past simple negative

- 1 I \_\_\_\_\_ (not / go) out last night
- 2 You \_\_\_\_\_ (not/come) to the party
- 3 She \_\_\_\_\_ (not/love) chocolate as a child
- 4 He \_\_\_\_\_ (not/like) sport
- 5 We \_\_\_\_\_ (not/study) for the exam
- 6 They \_\_\_\_\_ (not/cook) at the weekend
- 7 Lucy \_\_\_\_\_ (not/meet) her friends last week
- 8 I \_\_\_\_\_ (not/stay) at home
- 9 You \_\_\_\_\_ (not/do) your homework
- 10 John \_\_\_\_\_ (not/work) in the bank at the same time as me
- 11 They \_\_\_\_\_ (not/play) tennis yesterday
- 12 We \_\_\_\_\_ (not/go) on holiday last year
- 13 Julia and Anne \_\_\_\_\_ (not/clean) the house at all
- 14 She \_\_\_\_\_ (not/cry) much as a baby
- 15 He \_\_\_\_\_ (not/drive) to work
- 16 I \_\_\_\_\_ (not/remember) to buy milk
- 17 You \_\_\_\_\_ (not/wash) the dishes
- 18 David & I \_\_\_\_\_ (not/dance) at the party
- 19 They \_\_\_\_\_ (not/play) the piano
- 20 It \_\_\_\_\_ (not/rain) yesterday.

### Task 3 - Make past simple questions

- 1 \_\_\_\_\_ (I/see) you last week?
- 2 \_\_\_\_\_ (you/meet) your father yesterday?
- 3 \_\_\_\_\_ (we/go) to Spain in July?
- 4 \_\_\_\_\_ (it/snow) last winter?
- 5 \_\_\_\_\_ (they/stay in) last night?
- 6 \_\_\_\_\_ (Julie/watch) a film on Saturday?
- 7 \_\_\_\_\_ (Lucy/pass) the exam?
- 8 \_\_\_\_\_ (you/have) fun at the party?
- 9 \_\_\_\_\_ (I/lock) the door?
- 10 \_\_\_\_\_ (Sally and Victoria/go) to a cafe at lunchtime?
- 11 \_\_\_\_\_ (we/meet) in 1997?
- 12 \_\_\_\_\_ (the film/start) on time?
- 13 \_\_\_\_\_ (they/cook) dinner?
- 14 \_\_\_\_\_ (it/rain) a lot on your holiday?
- 15 \_\_\_\_\_ (you/feel) okay on the first day of your new job?
- 16 \_\_\_\_\_ (I/leave) my bag in the taxi?
- 17 \_\_\_\_\_ (he/play) sport as a child?
- 18 \_\_\_\_\_ (you/buy) anything today?
- 19 \_\_\_\_\_ (the meeting/go) well?
- 20 \_\_\_\_\_ (you/like) the meal?

#### Task 4 – Mixed Exercise - Make past simple positive, negative or questions

- 1 She \_\_\_\_\_ (go) home
- 2 We \_\_\_\_\_ (watch) a film
- 3 When \_\_\_\_\_ (he/arrive)?
- 4 I \_\_\_\_\_ (buy) a new car
- 5 Where \_\_\_\_\_ (you/live)?
- 6 I \_\_\_\_\_ (play) tennis
- 7 Where \_\_\_\_\_ (you/work) before?
- 8 \_\_\_\_\_ (they/come) for lunch?
- 9 \_\_\_\_\_ (we/study) this last year?
- 10 They \_\_\_\_\_ (drink) coffee
- 11 \_\_\_\_\_ (you/see) that film?
- 12 We \_\_\_\_\_ (eat) dinner
- 13 You \_\_\_\_\_ (not/go) out last night
- 14 He \_\_\_\_\_ (study)
- 15 What \_\_\_\_\_ (you/watch)?
- 16 We \_\_\_\_\_ (not/call) you yesterday
- 17 They \_\_\_\_\_ (not/arrive) on time
- 18 It \_\_\_\_\_ (not/rain)
- 19 We \_\_\_\_\_ (not/drink) beer
- 20 You \_\_\_\_\_ (clean) the kitchen

## Answers

<p><b>Task 1</b></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"><li>1. heard</li><li>2. read</li><li>3. spoke</li><li>4. understood</li><li>5. forgot</li><li>6. had</li><li>7. lost</li><li>8. swam</li><li>9. gave</li><li>10. became</li><li>11. knew</li><li>12. told</li><li>13. lent</li><li>14. drank</li><li>15. slept</li><li>16. kept</li><li>17. chose</li><li>18. began</li><li>19. flew</li><li>20. drove</li></ol>	<p><b>Task 3</b></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"><li>1. Did I see</li><li>2. Did you meet</li><li>3. Did we go</li><li>4. Did it snow</li><li>5. Did they stay in</li><li>6. Did Julie watch</li><li>7. Did Lucy pass</li><li>8. Did you have</li><li>9. Did I lock</li><li>10. Did Sally &amp; Victoria go</li><li>11. Did we meet</li><li>12. Did the film start</li><li>13. Did they cook</li><li>14. Did it rain</li><li>15. Did you feel</li><li>16. Did I leave</li><li>17. Did he play</li><li>18. Did you buy</li><li>19. Did the meeting go</li><li>20. Did you like</li></ol>
<p><b>Task 2</b></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"><li>1. didn't go</li><li>2. didn't come</li><li>3. didn't love</li><li>4. didn't like</li><li>5. didn't study</li><li>6. didn't cook</li><li>7. didn't meet</li><li>8. didn't stay</li><li>9. didn't do</li><li>10. didn't work</li><li>11. didn't play</li><li>12. didn't go</li><li>13. didn't clean</li><li>14. didn't cry</li><li>15. didn't drive</li><li>16. didn't remember</li><li>17. didn't wash</li><li>18. didn't dance</li><li>19. didn't play</li><li>20. didn't rain</li></ol>	<p><b>Task 4</b></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"><li>1. went</li><li>2. watched</li><li>3. did he arrive</li><li>4. bought</li><li>5. did you live</li><li>6. played</li><li>7. did you work</li><li>8. Did they come</li><li>9. Did we study</li><li>10. drank</li><li>11. Did you see</li><li>12. ate</li><li>13. didn't go</li><li>14. studied</li><li>15. did you watch</li><li>16. didn't call</li><li>17. didn't arrive</li><li>18. didn't rain</li><li>19. didn't drink</li><li>20. cleaned</li></ol>