THE SIMPLE PAST TENSE

Use: To talk about events in the past.

Affirmative Structure: SUBJECT + VERB IN THE PAST + COMPLEMENT
                              (Verbo en pasado)

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I
HE
SHE        Played   football last night.
IT         ate      a pizza yesterday.
YOU
WE
THEY
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Negative Structure: SUBJECT + DIDN'T + INFINITIVE VERB + COMPLEMENT (Time expression)
                              (DID NOT)

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I
HE
SHE        didn't play   football last night.
IT         didn't eat    a pizza yesterday.
YOU
WE
THEY
```

Interrogative Structure:

1) Yes and No questions (Preguntas SÍ y NO)

DID + SUBJECT + INFINITIVE VERB + COMPLEMENT + ?

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         I
         HE
         SHE    play    football last night  ?
DID      IT     eat     a pizza yesterday  ?
         YOU
         WE
         THEY
```

* Did Maria play football last night? ⟶ Yes, she did.
                                           No, she didn't.

2) WH- questions (Preguntas con WH-)

WH + DID + SUBJECT + INFINITIVE VERB + COMPLEMENT + ?

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              I
              HE
              SHE    play    football?
WH-    DID    IT     eat     a pizza?
              YOU
              WE
              THEY
```

SOME WH- QUESTIONS

Where? = ¿Dónde?
When? = ¿Cuándo?
How? = ¿Cómo?
Why? = ¿Por qué?
What time? = ¿A qué hora?
Who? = ¿Quién?
What? = ¿Qué?

* When did Maria play football? ⟶ Maria played football last night.
* Where did you eat a pizza? ⟶ I ate the pizza at an Italian restaurant.

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* Important: 1. Las estructuras negativas e interrogativas no llevan el verbo en pasado.
             2. El complemento generalmente lleva expresiones de tiempo.
                 Por ejemplo: last night (anoche), yesterday (ayer), etc.
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Regular and irregular verbs

Para formar oraciones en pasado debemos reconocer la diferencia entre verbos regulares e irregulares.

1) Regular verbs

Many English verbs are regular, they form their past by adding "–ed".
Muchos verbos en ingles son regulares, ellos forman su pasado agregando "–ed".

For instance:

* I *played* football yesterday. (Yo jugué fútbol ayer)   Play = Verbo Jugar

2) Irregular verbs

They are verbs that don't follow a regular pattern, they change their form.
Son verbos que no siguen un patrón regular, ellos cambian su forma.

For instance:

* Lucy ate a pizza yesterday. (Lucy comió una pizza ayer)   Eat = Verbo Comer
* The students went to the university. (Los estudiantes fueron a la Universidad)   Go= Verbo Ir