RULE SHEET

Grammar revision: four topics from Year 6



This sheet revises four topics from your second year of English: the **simple past**, the **past progressive**, **question tags** and **linking words**.

The topics

topic	form	example
simple past	regular: verb + **-ed** · irregular: go → **went** · **did / didn't** + base form	She **didn't come**. **Did** you **see** it?
past progressive	**was / were + -ing**: in progress at a time in the past	At six I **was reading**.
when / while	**when** + short action (simple past) · **while** + long action (past progressive)	I **was cooking** **when** the bell **rang**.
question tags	positive sentence → negative tag · negative sentence → positive tag	He **didn't** call, **did he**?
linking words	**and**, **but**, **because** (reason), **so** (result), **although** (surprise), **before**, **after**	It rained, **so** we stayed in.

One afternoon, four topics

- Last Saturday Ella **went** to the park with her brother Sam.
- They **were playing** frisbee **when** it **started** to rain.
- **While** they **were running** home, Ella **lost** her hat.
- **Although** they **were** wet, they **didn't** stop, **so** they **got** home in ten minutes.
- “You **were** a bit scared, **weren't you**?” Sam asked.

> **Careful!** After **did / didn't** comes the base form: Did you **see** it? (not: Did you saw it?) · **know, like, want** are not in the progressive: I **knew** it. · Use a pronoun in the tag: **Ella** was late, wasn't **she**? · Never use **although** and **but** together. · Put a comma after a **when / while / although / because** part at the start.

PRACTICE 1

Name: _____ Class: _____ Date: _____

Simple past: irregular verbs, questions and negatives

1 Complete the table.

base form	simple past	-ing form
catch		catching
	found	finding
leave	left	
think		thinking
sit	sat	
	brought	bringing
fall		falling
stop	stopped	

2 Tick the correct form.

1. We _____ the bus this morning, so we walked to school.
   ○ didn't catch ○ didn't caught ○ don't catch
2. _____ you enjoy the school trip last week? ○ Were ○ Did ○ Was
3. My sister _____ a bad cold last week. ○ has ○ is having ○ had
4. Where _____ Ruby and Dan go after school yesterday? ○ were ○ did ○ do
5. Ben _____ his homework, so his teacher wasn't happy.
   ○ didn't do ○ didn't did ○ doesn't do
6. What time _____ the concert start last night? ○ was ○ does ○ did