

Activity Type

Grammar and Speaking Activity: writing, asking and answering questions from prompts, sentence completion

Focus

Past simple yes/no questions and short answers

Did you...?

Yes, I did. / No, I didn't.

Past simple *Wh* follow-up questions

Aim

To ask and answer past simple yes/no questions with *Did you...?*

Preparation

Make one copy of the worksheet for each student.

Level

Elementary (A1-A2)

Time

30 minutes

Introduction

In this questions with *did* activity, students practice asking and answering past simple questions with *Did you...?*

Procedure

Give each student a copy of the worksheet.

Working alone, students write down a past simple yes/no question for each sentence on their worksheet.

When the students have finished, check the questions with the class.

Explain that the students are going to find one person who did each of the things shown on the worksheet and write their name at the start of the corresponding sentence.

Students then move around the classroom asking each other the questions.

Make sure the students reply appropriately with *Yes, I did* or *No, I didn't*.

When a student receives a positive reply, the student writes the respondent's name at the start of the corresponding sentence.

Encourage students to ask at least one past simple *Wh* follow-up question before moving on to speak to someone else.

Students should collect a different name for each sentence.

When the students have finished, have them share their findings with the class.



Write a past simple yes/no question for each sentence. Then, find one student who did each of the things and write their name at the start of the corresponding sentence.

1.	Question:	Did you write an email yesterday?
		wrote an email yesterday.
2.	Question:	
		went shopping last Saturday.
3.	Question:	
		woke up after seven o'clock this morning.
4.	Question:	
		went to the park last week.
5.	Question:	
		played a computer game yesterday.
6.	Question:	
		stayed at home last Sunday.
7.	Question:	
		went to bed late last night.
8.	Question:	
		went to the beach last month.
9.	Question:	
		had dinner in a restaurant last week.
10	. Question	:
		met some friends last weekend.
11	. Question	:
		watched a film yesterday.
12	. Question	:
		read a book last week.