



CELEBRITIES



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1 Vocabulary

Match the words and phrases to the definitions:

- 1. a performer
 - 2. successful
 - 3. an album
 - 4. best-selling
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- a. a music CD or record
 - b. a person who entertains people, for example somebody who sings, dances, or plays music
 - c. most popular (many people buy it)
 - d. popular and/or rich

Name one famous performer, one successful person and one best-selling book or album.

FAMOUS PERFORMER:

SUCCESSFUL PERSON:

BEST SELLING BOOK OR ALBUM:



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The King of Pop

Look at the picture. Who was this person? What do you know about him? Read the text.



Michael Jackson was a famous American singer and performer. According to Guinness World Records, he is the most successful performer of all time.

He was born in Gary, Indiana, a city near Chicago. He was one of eight children in an African American family. They **lived** in a small 3-room house. As a child, he was a member of the pop group The Jackson Five with his brothers. They **performed** songs, **danced**, and **traveled** in the United States. They **practiced** very hard with their father.

In 1971, Jackson **started** his career as a solo artist. In the 1980s, he was very popular. People all over the world **listened** to his music and **watched** his music videos. They **called** him the 'King of Pop'. His album Thriller (1982) is the best-selling album of all time.

Michael Jackson **continued** to make music in the 1990s, but his personal life and behavior also **attracted** a lot of attention.

On June 25, 2009, he **died** of a heart attack. He was 50 years old.

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Simple past - regular verbs

The words in **bold** in the text are the past forms of regular verbs. Answer the questions:

1. How do we form the past of a regular verb like *perform*, *watch*, and *listen*?
2. How do we form the past of a regular verb like *live*, *continue*, and *die*?
3. Find more examples of rule 1 and 2 in the text.

There are three ways to pronounce the -ed ending of regular verbs. Listen to your teacher and repeat.

/d/	/t/	/id/
lived listened	practiced watched	started attracted

Now listen and read the words below. Which category do they belong to?

wanted offered liked hated repeated stopped corrected
loved worked played asked



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Before they were famous

Complete the facts about the celebrities before they were famous. Use the verbs below in the past.



dress live open play serve train want work

1. Johnny Depp _____ as a salesman on the telephone.
2. Brad Pitt _____ as a chicken for a Mexican restaurant.
3. Tom Cruise _____ to become a priest.
4. Usain Bolt _____ cricket.
5. Barack Obama _____ in Indonesia.
6. Chuck Norris _____ a karate school.
7. The singer Rihanna _____ as an army cadet in Barbados.
8. Jennifer Aniston _____ food in a restaurant.

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Simple past - Negative and question forms

In pairs read the dialogue and answer the questions on the next page:

- A: **Did** Michael Jackson **live** in New York as a child?
B: No, he **didn't live** in New York. He **lived** in Gary, Indiana.
A: **Did** he **perform** with the Jackson Five?
B: Yes, he **did**.
A: When **did** he **start** his solo career?
B: He **started** in 1971.
A: **Did** people **call** him the King of Rock?
B: No, they **didn't**. They **called** him the King of Pop.
A: When **did** he **die**?
B: He **died** in 2009.



1. How do we form questions with the simple past?
2. What is the negative past form?
3. How do we form short answers with the past form?

6 Simple past (regular verbs)

Study the past forms of the verb 'work'.

affirmative forms	negative forms	questions
I worked	I didn't work	Did I work?
You worked	You didn't work	Did you work?
He/she/it worked	He/she/it didn't work	Did he/she/it work?
We worked	We didn't work	Did we work?
You worked	You didn't work	Did you work?
They worked	They didn't work	Did they work?

Short answers
 Yes, I did. / Yes, you did. / Yes, he did ...
 No, I didn't. / No, you didn't. / No, he didn't ...





7 Practice

Form questions like in the example.

Michael Jackson / live / in New York? Did Michael Jackson live in New York?

1. Johnny Depp / work / as a computer programmer?

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2. Brad Pitt / dress / as a chicken for an Italian restaurant?

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3. Tom Cruise / want / to be a dancer?

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4. Usain Bolt / play / cricket?

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5. Where / Barack Obama / live?

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6. Chuck Norris / open / a judo school?

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7. Rihanna / train / as an army cadet?

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8. Jennifer Aniston / serve / food in a restaurant?

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In pairs, ask and answer the questions like in the dialogue.