

2. Language Focus 2

2a. Read the following information carefully. Finish the practice. (adapted from Longman English Leap's teaching resources)

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In this part, you will learn to form the past tense form of regular verbs and use the simple past tense to talk about past activities or events.

Four years ago	I	watched	my first film.
Last year			

Simple past tense

Now let's look at this example.



We change the verb when we talk about what we did in the past:
play → played

Five years ago I **played** football for the first time.

Forming past tense : d

But some words are different.

We only add **d** to words that end in **e**.

Eight years ago she **smiled** for the first time.

Two years ago my puppy **died** in an accident.

英	+ d	Click here for more examples.
smile → <u>smiled</u>	dance → <u>danced</u>	
share → <u>shared</u>	like → <u>liked</u>	

Forming past tense : ied

What about words that end in **y**?

For verbs ending in **y**, we change the **y** to **i** and then add **ed**.

Seven years ago he **played** on the swing for the first time and **cried**.

英	y → ied	Click here for more examples.
cry → <u>cried</u>	study → <u>studied</u>	

Quick Check

1. Fill in the blank.



Simple past tense

We have learnt to use the simple past tense to describe ourselves in the past.



Three years ago I **was** weak.

Now I am strong.



Forming past tense : ed

We usually add **ed** to the verb to form the past tense form.

Four years ago I **watched** a scary movie.

Last year I **failed** my Maths exam.

英	+ ed	Click here for more examples.
crawl → <u>crawled</u>	walk → <u>walked</u>	
laugh → <u>laughed</u>	paint → <u>painted</u>	

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Forming past tense : double consonant

And what about these words?

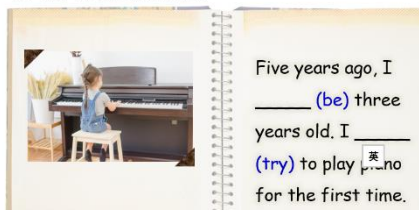
When a word ends with a short vowel and then a consonant, we double the consonant and then add **ed**.

Last year I visited a zoo in Australia. I **hugged** a koala for the first time.

英	short vowel consonant	Click here for more examples.
	hugged	
	chatted	

Quick Check

2. Fill in the blanks.



2b. Open your English Book and turn to P.34-35 or MSB P.40-41. Look at the pictures. Finish the following exercise.

Language focus 2 (Book pp.34-35)

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Date: _____

A Complete the tables with the past tense form of the verbs.


Present	Past
is	was
are	_____
am	_____
die	died

Present	Past
fail	failed
paint	_____
start	_____
watch	_____
visit	_____


B Read the forum. Write the correct form of the verbs in the blanks and the correct adjectives in the boxes.



www.kids-world.comx/our_memories

Our memories

1  Ella says:

Four years ago I _____ (watch) my first film. The cinema was dark.

I was .

2



Tom says:

Three years ago I _____ (start)
kindergarten. I was 😄.



3



Ron says:

Two years ago my dog _____ (die).
I loved my dog.
I was 😞.



4



Candy says:

Five years ago Grandma was sick.
I _____ (visit) her in the hospital.
I was 😞.



5



Bella says:

Six years ago I _____ (paint) my first
picture. Mum was 😲.



6



Simon says:

Three years ago I _____ (fail) my
English test. Dad was 😡.



2c. Go to Longman Plus app.



Finish the assignment "P3 U3(Book 3B)- Grammar 2".

Fill in the blanks.

(adapted from iLearn@Longman+)

Q1. Last year Benny _____ a film for the first time.

- A. watches
- B. watch
- C. watched

Q2. Katie _____ her piano exam last week.

- A. failed
- B. fails
- C. is failing

Q3. We _____ our grandparents yesterday.

- A. visit
- B. visited
- C. are visiting

Q4. Two days ago Gary _____ a picture.

- A. painted
- B. paint
- C. is painting

Q5. My little sister _____ kindergarten last year.

- A. starts
- B. started
- C. start

Q6. Two years ago my hamster _____. I was sad.

- A. die
- B. dies
- C. died

Q7. My little brother _____ for the first time last year. We were really surprised.

- A. walked
- B. is walking
- C. walks

Q8. They _____ with their dog in the park yesterday.

- A. play
- B. played
- C. are playing

2d. Extended learning and consolidation - Watch a video on Youtube.

Listen to this song about past tense.

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=t-y9Y9kvUxk> or

<https://youtu.be/t-y9Y9kvUxk>

