

Chapter 21. Simple Past Tense

Exercise 1. Complete this story by filling in the **simple past tense** of the verbs given in the brackets.

Sohail _____ (follow) his mother into the clinic. He _____ (wish) that his arm had not healed, for he _____ (not want) to go back to school. The doctor _____ (welcome) Sohail with a smile and _____ (begin) to examine his arm. As he _____ (touch) the arm, Sohail _____ (give) out a loud cry as if he was in pain. But the doctor _____ (be) happy.

“Sohail is quite all right,” the doctor _____ (say) to Sohail’s mother. “We _____ (take) this X-ray last week. It shows that the arm has fully healed. Sohail can go to school now.”

Mother’s face _____ (glow) with joy to hear these words. But Sohail _____ (not seem) to be happy at all.



Exercise 2. Yesterday when Mrs Mathur left for her school, she asked Shanti to do some household work. The table below shows what Shanti did and what she left undone.

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| dusting the rooms | ✗ |
| mopping the floor | ✓ |
| washing the dishes | ✓ |
| arranging the washed dishes on the shelves | ✗ |
| washing the clothes | ✓ |
| cleaning the fridge | ✗ |
| giving woollens for dry-cleaning | ✗ |

Write about the four things that Shanti **didn't do**.

1. _____
2. _____
3. _____
4. _____