

Chapter 15. Simple Past Tense

Exercise 1. Using the question words given in the brackets, frame **questions** to which the following may be suitable answers:

1. The thief hid behind a steel almirah. (where)

2. We shifted to this house last September. (when)

3. I got this information from the net. (how)

4. We came back from the hills because my father could not bear the cold there. (why)

5. I approached the medical superintendent. (whom)

6. This belt cost me only fifty rupees. (how much)

7. He spent his weekend on his uncle's farm. (where)

8. He became an author because he had a good command over the language. (why)

9. The policeman talked to her politely. (how)

10. She stayed at a friend's place. (where)

Exercise 2. Fill in the blanks with the **simple past tense** of the verbs given in the brackets:

1. I _____ you to complete your work, didn't I? (help)
2. She _____ the mistake and corrected it. (understand)
3. When I was in the hostel, I _____ my evenings playing badminton. (spend)
4. Then they _____ a brand new Honda City to drive. (have)
5. Tagore _____ some beautiful poems for children. (write)
6. He shouted loudly but nobody _____ to his help. (come)
7. These children _____ an abacus to learn counting. (use)
8. I was working hard because my final examination _____ near. (be)
9. All the trains for Agra _____ from the New Delhi station. (leave)
10. I _____ fond of reading. I borrowed books from the library to read. (be)