Past Simple Tense Exercises

1) Complete the sentences with the SIMPLE PAST of the verbs in parentheses:

a) They _____ (watch) TV last night.

b) Priscila _____ (talk) to her friends all day.

c) I _____ (have) a terrible headache yesterday.

d) Bob _____ (come) home from school late.

e) They _____ (arrive) late and _____ (miss) the bus.

f) She _____ (study) hard and _____(pass) the exam.

g) He _____ (call) the office to tell them he was sick.

h) I _____ (speak) to the director as he was leaving the room.

i) Dr. Johnson _____ (get up) early this morning.

j) Mary _____ (do) her homework and _____ (go) to school.

k) Chris _____ (find) a ten-dollar bill.

l) The dog _____ (follow) us down the road.

m) Those students _____ (work) hard last semester.

n) Lúcio _____ (stop) at the corner and _____ (call) us.

o) I _____ (try) to talk to Helen last night.

p) I _____ (pay) the phone bill yesterday.

q) My dad _____ (catch) a cold when he _____ (be) in Canada.

r) She _____ (leave) home early yesterday.

s) They _____ (know) each other very well when they _____ (be) kids.

t) The teacher _____ (bring) the exams corrected.

u) She was cleaning the vase when she _____ (drop) it.

v) We _____ (jog) in the park yesterday.

w) The fire _____ (occur) while we _____ (be) out.

x) I _____ (meet) some nice people at the party last weekend.

y) Carol _____ (sleep) until late on the weekend. Then, she _____ (go) out to lunch.

z) We _____ (fly) to the USA on a great airplane.

2) Write questions or negatives sentences:

a) She visited her parents last weekend.

Question: _____?

b) He cleaned his room before school.
Question: _____?

c) The teacher found the missing exams.
Negative: _____?

d) Tom wanted to go to the movies alone.
Question: _____?

e) Helena offered Henrique a piece of cake.
Negative: _____?

f) I knew what to do.
Negative: _____?

g) Alexandre helped Anita with her homework.
Question: _____?

h) You ate cookies after dinner.
Negative: _____?

i) You talked to her earlier.
Question: _____?

j) We turned off the TV after the news.
Negative: _____?

k) He drank only a coke at the party.
Question: _____?

l) Mom made breakfast early.
Negative: _____?