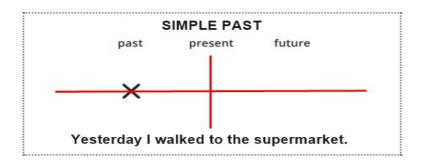


THE SIMPLE PAST



Instructions:

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Read through the text below and identify all of the simple past verbs. There will be many. Remember there are both regular (+ed) and irregular verbs (different word).

Text:

And she said she would continue to govern as first minister for the full term of the Scottish Parliament.

Ms Sturgeon has served as first minister since 2014.

She was re-elected in May after the SNP won the Scottish Parliament election with a record share of the vote.

But she has regularly spoken about the emotional toll of leading the country through the Covid pandemic, leading to rumours that she may have one eye on her life after politics.

This was heightened when Ms Sturgeon said in <u>a recent interview with Vogue magazine</u> That she and her husband - SNP chief executive Peter Murrell - may wish to foster children in the future.

Speaking to BBC political editor Laura Kuenssberg ahead of the SNP's autumn conference, which begins on Friday, Ms Sturgeon said she intended to remain as first minister for the full five-year parliamentary term.

'I'm going to be around a lot longer'

Referring to speculation about her future, she said: "It is almost as if my opponents have concluded they can't beat me or remove me from office themselves, so they're kind of crossing their fingers and hoping that I'll remove myself from office.

"But they are going to be really disappointed because I'm going to be around a lot longer.

"I was elected seven months ago, having asked people in Scotland to put their trust in me for a five year term as first minister.

"They gave me that trust and they re-elected me. We face serious times as a country and I intend to fulfil that mandate."

Ms Sturgeon, who is 51, added that she has "no intentions of going anywhere right now as first minister", but that she hoped to still be "relatively young when I get to the point of contemplating other things".

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Now write 50 words about what you did yesterday using as many past simple verbs as you can remember. You may use an English dictionary or Google.