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Grammar Unit 8:

Past SimpleTense: interrogative form

(?) [Wh- QUESTIONS] + DID + subject + verb in INFINITIVE + complements?

What = què?

Where = a on?

When = quan?

Why = per què?

Who = qui?

How = com?

EXAMPLES:

Regular verb:

- (+) My father worked in a bank two years ago.
- (-) My father didn't work in a bank last year.
- (?) Did your father work in a bank 10 years ago? Yes, he did / no, he didn't.
- (?) Where did your father work two years ago? ... in a bank.
- (?) When did your father work in a bank? ... 10 years ago.

Irregular verb:

- (+) My mum made a delicious pizza yesterday.
- (-) My mum didn't make a delicious pizza last week.
- (?) Did my mum make a delicious pizza last Saturday? Yes, she did / no, she didn't.
- (?) What did my mum make two weeks ago? ... a pizza.
- (?) When did my mum make a delicious pizza? ... yesterday.

TIME EXPRESSIONS:

Yesterday = ahir

The day before yesterday = abans d'ahir

2, 3, 4, days weeks	ago	Fa 2, 3, 4,	dies setmanes
months			mesos
years			anys
	I		

in May, in 2012, in September = past dates.

Position:

We place these time expressions at the end of the sentence and, occasionally, at the beginning with comma.