

Preterite Lessons: Teaching Plan

Teaching students the preterite so they can talk about the past is essential. The activities below are designed to supplement your lessons on the Spanish preterite tense. Mastering verbs, especially in the preterite, can be challenging, but this plan provides engaging activities and structured practice to make it easier.

1. Introduction to the Preterite

- **Presentation 1: What Did You Do Last Vacation?**

Begin with a presentation that introduces the preterite through simple questions about past vacations.

- Use the included answer choices to help students familiarize themselves with [preterite conjugations](#). [Spanish Preterite Lesson: timed presentation with answers](#)
- This interactive format ensures students quickly grasp the basics.

- **Supplemental Practice:**

- **Puzzles, Verb Quizzes, and Postcard Template:** Reinforce learning with these engaging resources. [Spanish Preterit Spanish Lessons: Preterit Bundle](#)

2. Practice and Application

- Revisit the initial presentation, this time without the answers.
 - Students will now answer questions using [preterite verb](#) forms, applying what they've learned. [¿Qué hiciste durante las últimas vacaciones? handout](#)

3. Irregular Preterite Verbs

- **Presentation 2: What Did You Do Last Weekend?**

Use the same process for irregular verbs as you did for regular ones.

- Teach these verbs with **charts**, **puzzles**, and **interactive games** like Battleship (template included). [Spanish Preterite Activities: el fin de semana pasado](#)
- **Whiteboard Activity:** Call out a subject and verb; students write the conjugation.
- **Hear and Circle Activity:** Provide additional auditory and visual practice. [Spanish Verbs and Grammar: Hear and Circle](#)

4. Interactive Review

- After mastering irregular verb conjugations, revisit the second presentation.
 - Students will answer questions using irregular verbs in an interactive, collaborative format.
 - This reinforces learning and builds confidence.

5. Additional Resources for Practice

- **Verb Charts and Quizzes:** Comprehensive tools for extra reinforcement.
- **Hear and Circle Activities:** Develop listening and writing skills.
- **Postcard Template:** Encourage creative application of the preterite.

See these ready-made activities here [Spanish Lessons: Preterit Bundle](#).

5 Weeks of No and Low Prep Fun

Need quick, engaging activities for your class? This free guide includes **25 no-prep and low-prep ideas** to save time while keeping students excited about learning. [Download your free copy now.](#)

[How I Use AI to Check and Build My Language Proficiency](#)