

TIME EXPRESSIONS

last	ago	yesterday
last night	10 minutes ago	yesterday
last Sunday	an hour ago	yesterday morning
last week	three days ago	yesterday afternoon
last weekend	a week ago	yesterday evening
last year	a month ago	the day before yesterday
last month	a year ago	

- We use **time reference + ago** to show how far back in the past something happened:

- Examples:

The movie **ended five minutes ago**.

The plane **landed two hours ago**.

My son **was born six months ago**.

Her husband **died ten years ago**.

I **took** that photo **many years ago**.

I **came** to this city **a long time ago**





- We use ***last*** + **time reference** to mean the most recent or nearest to the present day time:

- Examples:

I **saw** a game on TV **last night**.

My parents **traveled** to Japan **last month**.

Michael **arrived** in Mexico **last January**.

Last Christmas I **got** a lot of presents.

My girlfriend and I **met** at the beach **last summer**.

Last year Jake and Jill **got** married.

- We use ***yesterday*** or ***yesterday + morning / afternoon / evening*** to talk about the day before today:

- Examples:

Charles **wore** a suit to work **yesterday**.

We **got up** early **yesterday morning**.

She **left** the hospital **yesterday afternoon**.

Yesterday evening Joel **called** me.



NOTE: We use ***last night*** NOT yesterday night.

We also use the expression ***the day before yesterday*** to mean "two days ago".

Example: I **played** soccer ***the day before yesterday***.

- <https://www.englishexercises.org/makeagame/viewgame.asp?id=3894>