

어제 추웠어요 / 보다 더

The basic past and comparing places

6 Exercises · Duration: 20 min.

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For the polite past, add **았어요** after a stem whose last vowel is ㅏ or ㅗ, and **었어요** after other stems. Vowels often merge: **가다 → 갔어요**, **먹다 → 먹었어요**, **보다 → 봤어요**. **하다 → 했어요** is especially common. These forms work for every person.

For a describing verb the same past pattern describes a previous state: **추웠어요**, **더웠어요**. The earlier forms **있었어요**, **없었어요** and noun plus **이었어요/였어요** belong to this broader past family.

For a comparison, put **보다** after the reference noun, then often **더**: **함부르크보다 더 추워요**. **덜** means less. The compared adjective does not agree with gender, number or person.

Form	Example	Meaning
가다	갔어요	went
먹다	먹었어요	ate
하다	했어요	did
춡다	추웠어요	was cold

어제 추웠어요.

It was cold yesterday.

어제 집에 갔어요.

I went home yesterday.

어제 빵을 먹었어요.

I ate bread yesterday.

어제 일을 했어요.

I worked yesterday.

함부르크보다 더 추워요.

It is colder than Hamburg.

여기는 더 따뜻해요.

It is warmer here.

GRAMMAR

G1) NOTICE THE USEFUL FORMS

Underline the highlighted form described in this unit.

1 어제 추웠어요.

Meaning: It was cold yesterday.

2 어제 집에 갔어요.

Meaning: I went home yesterday.

3 어제 빵을 먹었어요.

Meaning: I ate bread yesterday.

4 어제 일을 했어요.

Meaning: I worked yesterday.

G2) CHOOSE THE FRIENDLY POLITE FORM

Choose the form that fits the English meaning and the polite sentence.

1 어제 _____.

- ☐ A 추워요예요
- ☐ B 춥었어요
- ☐ C 추웠어요

Meaning: It was cold yesterday.

2 어제 집에 _____.

- ☐ A 갔어요
- ☐ B 가었어요
- ☐ C 가다

Meaning: I went home yesterday.

3 어제 빵을 _____.

- ☐ A 먹다
- ☐ B 먹었어요
- ☐ C 먹았어요

Meaning: I ate bread yesterday.

4 어제 일을 _____.

- ☐ A 하다
- ☐ B 하였어요
- ☐ C 했어요

Meaning: I worked yesterday.

5 함부르크_____ 더 추워요.

- ☐ A 보다
- ☐ B 까지
- ☐ C 에서

Meaning: It is colder than Hamburg.

6 여기는 _____ 따뜻해요.

- Ⓐ 더
- Ⓑ 안
- Ⓒ 덜

Meaning: It is warmer here.

G3) COMPLETE A SHORT MESSAGE

Fill the gaps with the words from the box.

먹었어요 먹었어요

어제 빵을 _____.

Meaning: I ate bread yesterday.

했어요 하었어요

어제 일을 _____.

Meaning: I worked yesterday.

보다 에서

함부르크 _____ 더 추워요.

Meaning: It is colder than Hamburg.

더 덜

여기는 _____ 따뜻해요.

Meaning: It is warmer here.

G4) BUILD USEFUL SENTENCES

Put the words in order.

- 1 어제 먹었어요. 빵을

Meaning: I ate bread yesterday.

- 2 했어요. 일을 어제

Meaning: I worked yesterday.

- 3 더 추워요. 함부르크보다

Meaning: It is colder than Hamburg.

- 4 여기는 따뜻해요. 더

Meaning: It is warmer here.

G5) WHAT WOULD YOU SAY?

Choose the right words for the situation.

1 It was cold yesterday. You say:

- ☐ A 어제 춥었어요.
- ☐ B 어제 추웠어요.

2 I went home yesterday. You say:

- ☐ A 어제 집에 갔어요.
- ☐ B 어제 집에 가었어요.

3 I ate bread yesterday. You say:

- ☐ A 어제 빵을 먹었어요.
- ☐ B 어제 빵을 먹았어요.

4 I worked yesterday. You say:

- Ⓐ 어제 일을 하었어요.
- Ⓑ 어제 일을 했어요.

G6) CONNECT MESSAGES AND MEANINGS

Match the pairs.

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|-----------------|------------------------------|
| ① 여기는 더 따뜻해요. | Ⓐ It is colder than Hamburg. |
| ② 어제 집에 갔어요. | Ⓑ I went home yesterday. |
| ③ 어제 빵을 먹었어요. | Ⓒ It is warmer here. |
| ④ 함부르크보다 더 추워요. | Ⓓ I ate bread yesterday. |
| ⑤ 어제 추웠어요. | Ⓔ It was cold yesterday. |
| ⑥ 어제 일을 했어요. | Ⓕ I worked yesterday. |