

Tenses- Simple Past (Beginners)

Fill in the blanks with the simple past forms of verbs given in brackets:

1. Stephen Hillenburg _____ (create) the cartoon series *Sponge Bob*.
He _____ (work) as a teacher at the Ocean Institute in California.
During his tenure at the institute, he _____ (think) of creating this series.
2. Disney's *Mickey Mouse Clubhouse* _____ (be) the first animation television series to feature the "Sensational Six." Mickey Mouse, Minnie Mouse, Donald Duck, Daisy Duck, Goofy, and Pluto. The series _____ (focus) on interacting with the preschool-aged audience and _____ (aim) at stimulating their problem-solving skills.
3. The third season of the program *Dora, the Explorer* _____ (kick) off with "Dora's Star-Catching Adventure". It _____ (introduce) a new concept in which viewers _____ (interact) with the show by searching for explorer-stars in each episode.
4. *Phineas and Ferb* _____ (be) able to bring their grand inventions and structures to life within a few hours of the episodes. They _____ (give) all sorts of wild ideas to pass time at home when school was off. This was why the series _____ (become) so popular with kids in no time.
5. When Ash Ketchum _____ (reach) the age of 10, he _____ (receive) his first *Pokémon* from Professor Oak and _____ (set) out on his Pokémon Journey.