

Lesson 9

The Simple Past Tense

The simple past tense expresses an action that was completed in the past.

Example 9.1

an QiKun (QiKwn)	I ate
enti genjruKw	You slept (Singular)
gaim mihrotl feruKw	Gaim went to school
ent=B9n QaldnuKw	You saw (Plural)
yn AwtitnuKwn	We succeeded
naw sabiniKw	They praised

The verb agrees with the subject (person) and the suffixes are: **Example 9.2**

The simple past tense of the verb enkelna, to love. The suffixes in the present tense end in kun ekw etc. (see Lesson 8) while they change to Kw in the simple past tense.

k -----> K and kw -----> Kw.

1st Person Singular	-Kun (Kwn)	
2nd Person Singular	-ruKw or duKw	
3rd Person Singular (masc.)	-uKw or iKw	
3rd Person Singular (Fem.)	-ti	
1st Person Plural	-nuKwn	
2nd Person Plural	-dnuKw	
3rd Person Plural	-nuKw	
1st Person Singular	enkelKun	I loved
2nd Person Singular	enkelduKw	You loved
3rd Person Singular (masc.)	enkeluKw	He loved
3rd Person Singular (Fem.)	enkelti	She loved
1st Person Plural	enkelnuKwn	We loved
2nd Person Plural	enkeldnuKw	You loved
3rd Person Plural	enkelnuKw	They loved
