

Past 4 Grammar

Past 4 is not generally used in everyday speech anymore--BUT it's important still to learn it since it's present in stories, songs, and set phrases

The process for Action Verbs and Stative Verbs are the same as the other pasts but with the Past 4 marker: 'vnt(v)'

ACTION VERBS

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| 1. Take the action verb | 1. Wvnyetv |
| 2. Drop the 'etv' | 2. Wvny |
| 3. Add the Person Marker | 3. Wvnayetske |
| 4. Add the Past 4 ending 'vnt(v)' | 4. Wvnayetskvnt |
| 5. Add 's' | 5. Wvnayetskvnts |

STATIVE VERBS

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| 1. Take the stative verb | 1. Penkvlē |
| 2. Add the correct Patient Marker to the front of the verb | 2. Cvpenkvlē |
| 3. Decide if 'vk' needs to be added for multiple | 3. Not needed |
| 4. Add a space after ē | 4. Cvpenkvlē |
| 5. Add 'towvnts' | 5. Cvpenkvlē towvnts |

Action Verbs can use all forms in Past 4. In those cases, 'ometv' takes the Past 4 ending for 'Tos' & 'Ometv Conjugated' Aux.

Hompvyvnts Hompi towvnts Hompe towvyvnts

For Stative Verbs, they will almost always use the 'Tos' Auxiliary in Past 2-5

Cvpekvlvnts = X -> Cvpenkvlē towvnts = O

PAST 4 & PERSON MARKERS [ACTION VERBS]

		A long time ago		
1st person singular	"I / me"	"I did"	vyvnt	Hompvyvnts <i>We ate</i>
2nd person singular	"You"	"You did"	etskvnt / eckvnt / eccvnt / etcvnt	Hompetskvnts, etc <i>You ate</i>
3rd person singular	"He / She / It / etc"	"He / She / It / etc did"	vnt	Hompvnts <i>He / She / It ate</i>
1st person plural	"We"	"We did"	ēyvnt / ēvnt	Hompēvnts <i>We ate</i>
2nd person plural	"Y'all"	"Y'all did"	atskvnt / ackvnt	Hompatskvnts <i>Y'all ate</i>
3rd person plural	"They"	"They did"	akvnt	Hompakvnts <i>They ate</i>

A WAY THAT PAST 4 IS STILL USED IS TO SAY "THE WAY (SOMEONE) USED TO (DO)"

It is generally used for the way people used to do something loooong ago

Mv omēn yvkhokvnto
They used to sing it like that

Mahokvnto omē makvs
Say it like they used to say it

Practice

Action Verbs

We ate

He jumped

It flew

Y'all sang

Y'all cried (2)

They worked

She crawled

I drew

They played

You swam

Stative Verbs

They were tired

We were thirsty

He was brave

Y'all were short

I was happy

She was beautiful

She was tall

I was lonely

You were sad

We were weak
