

Then and Now

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Question

What's the difference
between then and now?

Share What You Know




- 1 **Act Out** something you do with a machine. Let the class guess.
- 2 **Discuss** what people did before they had that machine.




Build Background: Watch a video about an invention.

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Before people had _____,
they _____.



New technology
makes it easier
for people to
communicate.



What's the
difference
between then
and now?

Key Words

How do people talk and share **news**?

Then



write a letter



read a newspaper



talk on the phone

Now



computer

write an e-mail



read news on
the **Internet**



send a text
message

Talk Together

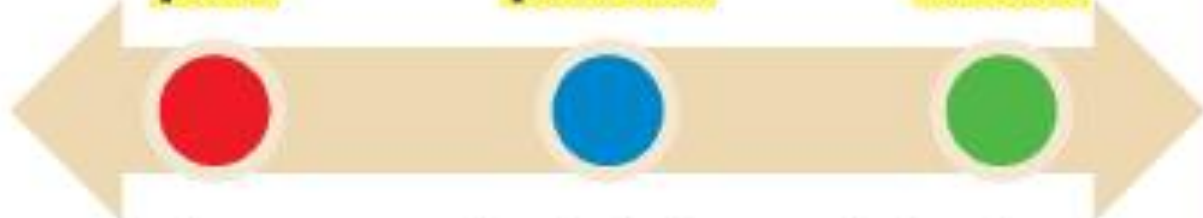
Look at the ways we communicate. What's the difference between then and now? What do you think is the best way to communicate?

More Key Words

past

present

future



In the **past**
I was in
kindergarten.

Today is the
present. I am
in first grade.

In the **future**
I will be in
second grade.

communicate



People
communicate
by talking and
writing.

history



Study **history**
to learn what
happened long
ago.

Talk Together

Make **Key Word**
cards. Pick one, and
use the word in a
sentence.

I learn about
the present by
watching today's
TV news.

Add words to My Vocabulary Notebook.

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Grammar: Regular Past Tense

What Happened Yesterday?

Grammar Rules Regular Past Tense

Add *-ed* to many action verbs to show that action happened in the past.

verb + *-ed* = past tense

call + *-ed* = called

Yesterday I called my aunt.

Read each sentence. Add *-ed* to each bolded word. Write the new word.

1. I _____ a letter. **mail**
mailed
2. You _____ me on your cell phone. **call**

3. She _____ the news on TV. **watch**

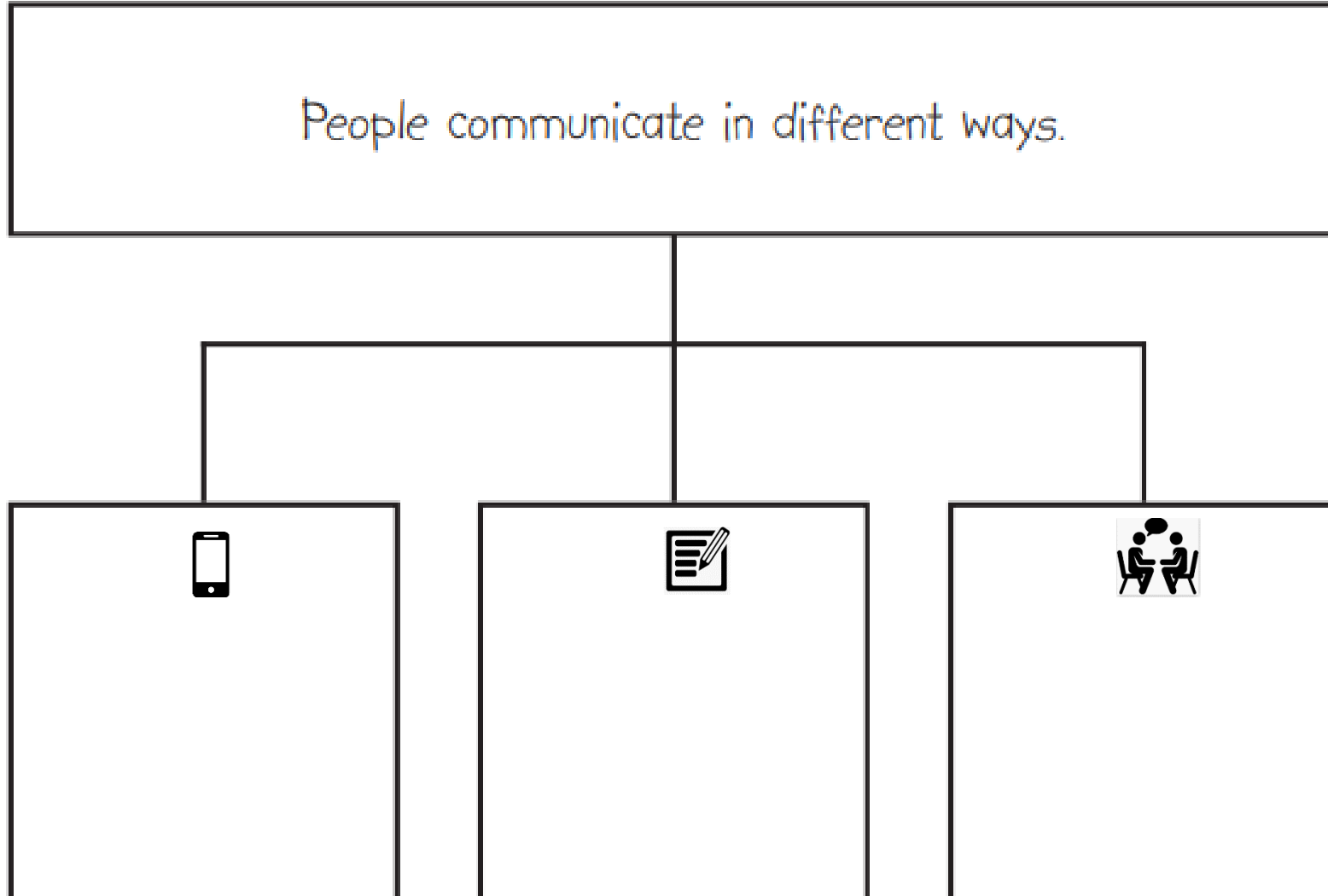
4. We _____ a game on the computer. **play**

5. They _____ to the radio. **listen**

 Tell a partner about one thing you did yesterday.

Identify Main Idea and Details

Complete the diagram. Write different ways people communicate.





Communication Then and Now

1



Communication is sharing news and ideas. Talking, writing, and body language are all ways to communicate. Communication is now better and faster than in the past.

2



In the past, people copied each book by hand. Now books are printed on machines. You can read books on computers, too.

3



In the past, people sent messages with telegraph machines. Now people call each other on telephones. People also wrote letters in the past. Now people send e-mail messages on computers.

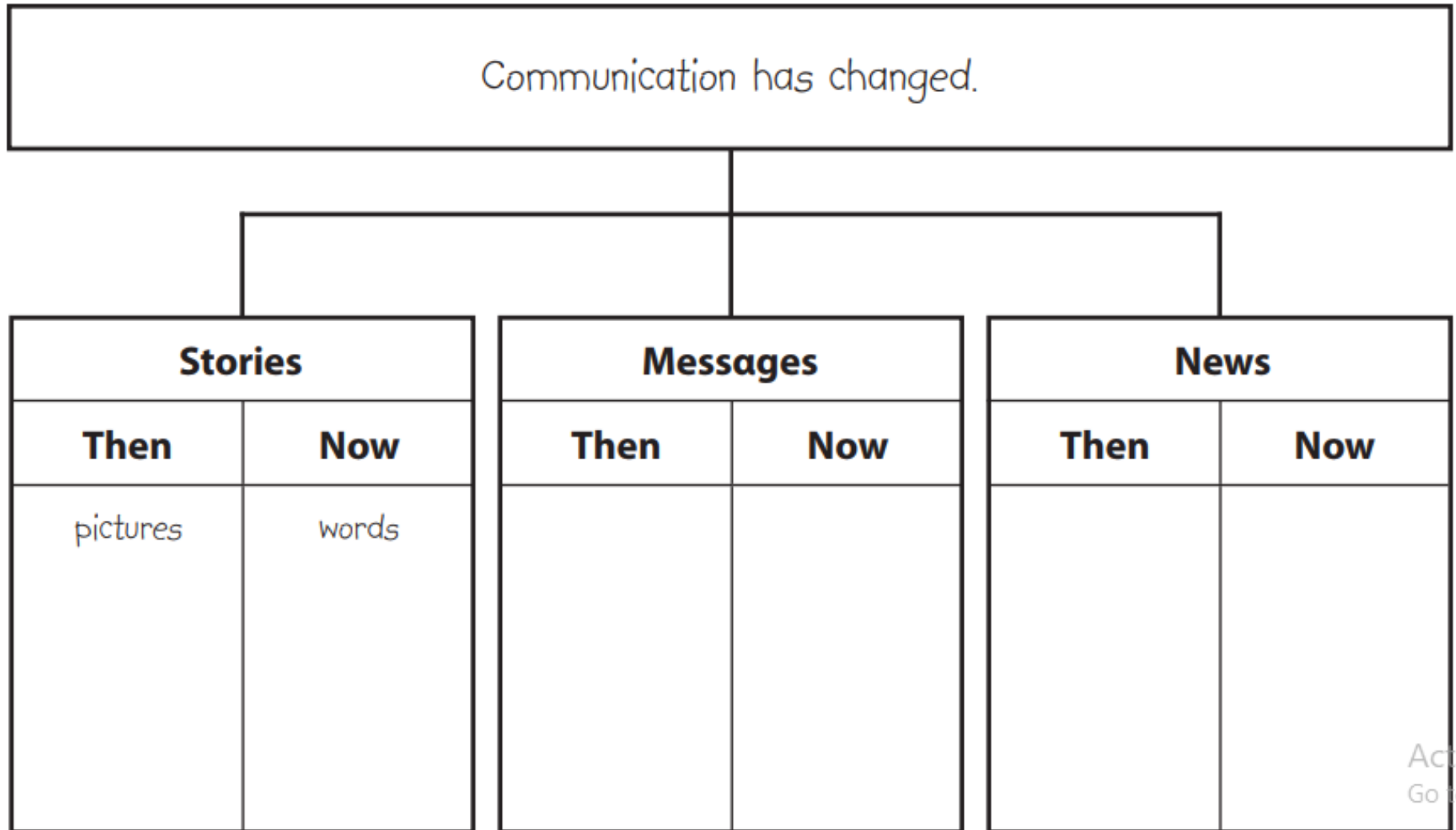
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In the past, people bought newspapers to read. Now people have newspapers delivered. They also read them on the internet. Communication will continue to change. What will happen next?

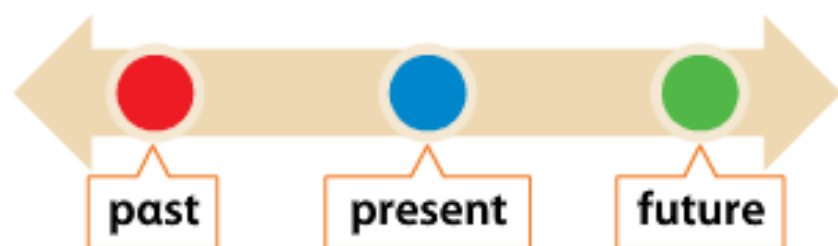
Communication Then and Now

Complete the diagram below. Write about how communication has changed.



Past Tense Verbs

Verbs can tell about actions that happened in the past.



Grammar Rules Past Tense Verbs

To make a verb about the past:

- Add **-ed** to the end of a **regular verb**, like **want**.
- Use a special form for an **irregular verb**, like **fly**.

Today people **want** to build new spaceships. In the past, they **wanted** to build the first spaceship.

Today people **fly** to space. In the past, they **flew** to space for the first time.

Grammar: Irregular Past Tense

That Was Then

Grammar Rules Irregular Past Tense

Some verbs change a lot to tell about the past.

Present	Past
am, is	was
are	were
go	went
do	did

Read each sentence. Circle the correct form of the verb in ().

1. My aunt (do, **did**) her homework on paper.
2. Today I (do, did) my homework on the computer.
3. Long ago, people (go, went) by horse.
4. Now, people (go, went) by car.
5. Then, the news (is, was) on the radio.
6. Today, the news (is, was) on the Internet.

 Say a sentence using *was*, *were*, *did*, or *went* to a partner.

Grammar: Past Tense Verbs

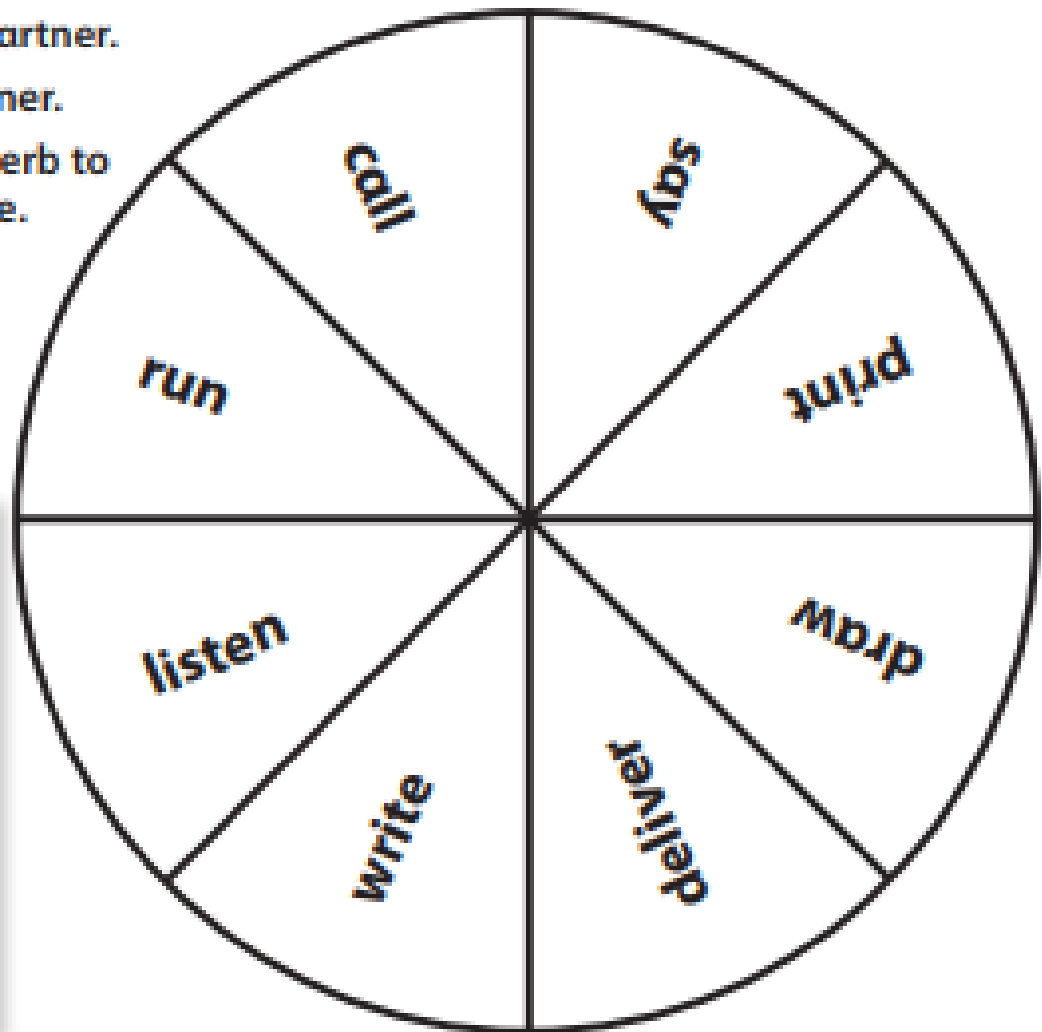
Make It Past Tense

Grammar Rules Past Tense Verbs


To make a verb about the past:

- Add *-ed* to the end of a regular verb, like *watch*.
- Use a special form of the an irregular verb, like *fly*.

1. Play with a partner.
2. Spin the spinner.
3. Change the verb to the past tense.



Make a Spinner

1. Put a paper clip  in the center of the circle.
2. Hold one end of the paper clip with a pencil.
3. Spin the paper clip around the pencil.



Name _____ Date _____

Directions: Choose the answer that goes in each sentence.

1 This is a _____.

- Ⓐ delivery
- Ⓑ sequence
- Ⓒ computer



2 He gets a text _____.

- Ⓐ feature
- Ⓑ message
- Ⓒ business



3 She uses the _____.

- Ⓐ Internet
- Ⓑ parent
- Ⓒ temperature





Name _____ Date _____

4 He reads the _____.

- Ⓐ wind
- Ⓑ news
- Ⓒ power



5 Class starts right _____.

- Ⓐ up
- Ⓑ now
- Ⓒ down



6 Back _____, I didn't know how to walk.

- Ⓐ then
- Ⓑ inside
- Ⓒ around

