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by Mary Embree (păst)adj.1. No longer current; gone by; over: His youth is past.2. Having existed or occurred in an earlier time; bygone: past events; in years past.b. Just gone by or elapsed: in the past few days.4. Having served formerly in a given capacity, especially an official one: a past president; a past inmate of a
cell.5. Grammar Of, relating to, or being a verb tense or form used to express an action or condition prior to the time et is expressed.n.1. The time before the present.2. a. Previous background, career, experiences, and activities: an elderly person with a checkered
past.3. Grammar b. A verb form in the past tense.adv. So as to pass by or go beyond: He waved as he walked past the first stoplight. They walked past the memorial in silence.3. a. Beyond the power, scope, extent, or influence of: The
problem is past the point of resolution.b. Beyond in development or appropriateness: The child is past drinking from a bottle. You're past sucking your thumb, so don't do it.4. Beyond the number or amount of: The child couldn't count past 20. See Usage Note at pass. [Middle English, from past participle of passen, to pass; see pass.] American Heritage® Dictionary of the
 English Language, Fifth Edition. Copyright © 2016 by Houghton Mifflin Harcourt Publishing Company. Publishing Company. All rights reserved. (pα:st) adj1. completed, finished, and no longer in existence: past happiness. 2. denoting or belonging to all or a segment of the time that has elapsed at the present moment: the past history
of the world. 3. denoting a specific unit of time that immediately precedes the present one: the past month. 4. (prenominal) denoting any of various tenses of verbs that are used in describing actions, events, or states that have been begun or completed at
the time of utterance. Compare aorist, imperfect4, perfect8n6. the past the period of someone's life, esp one that contains events kept secret or regarded as disreputable9. (Grammar) grammar b. a
verb in a past tenseadv10. at a specified or unspecified time before the present; ago: three years past. 11. on or onwards: I greeted him but he just walked past me. 15. beyond in time: it's past midnight. 13. beyond in time: it's past midnight. 13. beyond in place or position: the library is past the church. 14. moving beyond; in a direction that passes: he walked past me. 15. beyond or above the reach, limit, or
scope of: his foolishness is past comprehension. 16. beyond or above in number or amount: to count past ten. 17. past it informal unable to perform the tasks one could do when one was younger18. not put it past someone to consider someone to cons
spelt past: the time for recriminations has passed (not past) Collins English Dictionary - Complete and Unabridged, 12th Edition 2014 © HarperCollins Publishers 1991, 1994, 2000, 2003, 2006, 2007, 2009, 2011, 2014 (pæst, past) adj. 1. gone by or elapsed in time: The bad times are past now. 2. of, having existed in, or having occurred during a previous time; bygone by or elapsed in time: The bad times are past now. 2. of, having existed in, or having occurred during a previous time; bygone by or elapsed in time: The bad times are past now. 2. of, having existed in, or having occurred during a previous time; bygone by or elapsed in time: The bad times are past now. 2. of, having existed in, or having occurred during a previous time; bygone by or elapsed in time: The bad times are past now. 2. of, having existed in, or having occurred during a previous time; bygone by or elapsed in time: The bad times are past now. 2. of, having existed in, or having occurred during a previous time; bygone by or elapsed in time: The bad times are past now. 2. of, having existed in, or having occurred during a previous time; bygone by or elapsed in time; bygone by or elapsed in time.
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happened at some earlier time: to learn from the past. 10. an earlier period of a person's life, career, etc., that is characterized by imprudent or immoral conduct. 11. b. a form in the past tense, as looked or ate. adv. 12. so as to pass by or beyond; by: The troops marched past. prep. 13. beyond in time; later than; after: past noon. 14. beyond in space or position; farther on
than: the house just past the church. 15. in a direction so as to pass by or go beyond: We went past the maximum age. 17. beyond in amount, number, etc.; over: past the maximum age. 17. beyond the reach, scope, influence, or power of: past the maximum age. 17. beyond the reach, scope, influence, or power of: past the maximum age. 17. beyond the reach, scope, influence, or power of: past the maximum age. 17. beyond the reach, scope, influence, or power of: past the maximum age. 17. beyond the reach, scope, influence, or power of: past the maximum age. 17. beyond the reach, scope, influence, or power of: past the maximum age. 18. beyond the reach, scope, influence, or power of: past the maximum age. 19. beyond the reach, scope, influence, or power of: past the maximum age. 19. beyond the reach, scope, influence, or power of: past the maximum age. 19. beyond the reach, scope, influence, or power of: past the maximum age. 19. beyond the reach, scope, influence, or power of: past the maximum age. 19. beyond the reach, scope, influence, or power of: past the maximum age. 19. beyond the reach, scope, influence, or power of: past the maximum age. 19. beyond the reach, scope, influence, or power of: past the maximum age. 19. beyond the reach, scope, influence, or power of: past the maximum age. 19. beyond the reach the maximum age. 19. beyond the re
Dictionary, © 2010 K Dictionaries Ltd. Copyright 2005, 1997, 1991 by Random House, Inc. All rights reserved. See also antiquity; future; history; memory; origins. the condition of being first in a place and of having a relatively simple nature. — aboriginal, n., adj. adherence to or fondness for ancient things or customs. — antediluvian, n., adj. interest in the culture of antiquity.
 especially that of classical Greece and Rome. — antiquary, antiquarian, n. — archaicism. — archaicism. — archaeolatrous, adj.a person who records time or the events that have occurred in time. Obsolete, the recording or study of past
events.strong fondness or admiration for the culture, mores, etc, of the Middle Ages. — medievalist, n. — paleological, palaeological, palaeo
palaetiology an explanation of events of the past through the laws of causation. — paletiologist, n. — p
 adjective referring to a period of time before the present. He never discussed his past. I've spent most of the past eight years looking after children. 1. telling the time. British English, when you are telling the time, you use past to say after. I arrived around a quarter after
twelve.2. going near somethingPast is also used as a preposition or adverb to say that someone goes near something when they are moving in a particular direction. He walked past the school. People ran past laughing.3. 'passed 'bon't use 'past' as the past entering when they are moving in a particular direction. He walked past the school. People ran past laughing.3. 'passed 'bon't use 'past' as the past entering when they are moving in a particular direction. He walked past the school past the school. People ran past laughing.3. 'passed 'bon't use 'past' as the past entering when they are moving in a particular direction. He walked past the school past the school
was passed by Parliament. Collins COBUILD English Usage © HarperCollins Publishers 1992, 2004, 2011, 2012 Noun1. past - the time that has elapsed; "forget the past" in days of old') history - the aggregate of past events; "a critical
time in the school's history"time immemorial, time out of mind - the distant past beyond memoryyesterday - the recent past; "yesterday's solutions are not good enough"; "we shared many yesterdays future, futurity, time to come, hereafter - the time yet to come 2.past - a earlier period in someone's life (especially one that they have reason to keep secret); "reporters dug into
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days gone by, the olden days, days of yore In the past, things were very different. former, late, early, recent, previous, ancient, prior, long-ago, preceding, foregoing, erstwhile, bygone, olden a return to the turbulence of past centuries former coming, future, present, arrived3. last, recent, previous, ancient, prior, long-ago, preceding, foregoing, erstwhile, bygone, olden a return to the turbulence of past centuries former coming, future, present, arrived3. last, recent, previous, ancient, prior, long-ago, preceding, foregoing, erstwhile, bygone, olden a return to the turbulence of past centuries former coming, future, present, arrived3. last, recent, previous, ancient, prior, long-ago, preceding, foregoing, erstwhile, bygone, olden a return to the turbulence of past centuries former coming, future, present, arrived3. last, recent, previous, ancient, prior, long-ago, preceding, foregoing, erstwhile, bygone, olden a return to the turbulence of past centuries former coming, future, present, arrived3. last, recent, previous, ancient, prior, long-ago, preceding, foregoing, erstwhile, bygone, olden a return to the turbulence of past centuries former coming, future, previous, ancient, prior, long-ago, preceding, foregoing, erstwhile, bygone, olden a return to the turbulence of past centuries for a finite foregoing for a finite foregoing for a finite foregoing for a finite foregoing foregoing for a finite foregoing foregoing
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now is a bit past it. Quotations "The past is a foreign country; they do things differently there" [L.P. Hartley The Go-Between] "The past is a great darkness, and filled with echoes" [Margaret Atwood The Handmaid's Tale] "The past is never dead, it is not even past"
[William Faulkner]"Those who cannot remember the past are condemned to repeat it" [George Santayana The Life of Reason]Usage: The past participle of pass is sometimes wrongly spelt past: the time for recrimination has passed (not past). Collins Thesaurus of the English Language - Complete and Unabridged 2nd Edition. 2002 © HarperCollins Publishers 1995,
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hour Phileas Fogg rose, till half-past eleven, when he left the house for the Reform Club--all the details of service, the tea and toast at twenty minutes past eight, the shaving-water at thirty-seven minutes past eight at the shaving-water at the
that we have traversed stretches very fair behind us. He led him past his soldiers and behind the outposts and told him that his wish to be presented to the Emperor would most likely be satisfied immediately, as the Emperor's quarters were, he believed, not far off. Most difficult of all in this position was the fact that he could not in any way connect and reconcile his past with
what was now. In those days I read not only all the new books, but I made many forays into the past, and came back now and then with rich spoil, though I confess that for the most part I had my trouble for my pains; and I wish now that I had given the time I spent on the English classics to contemporary literature, which I have not the least hesitation in saying I like vastly
better. And when these little boys and girls stole forth again from the dark, mysterious mansion, they went bewildered, full of old feelings that graver people had long ago forgotten, rubbing their eyes at the world around them as if they had gone astray into ancient times, and become children of the past. At home, when their parents asked where they had loitered such a weary
while, and with whom they had been at play, the children would talk of all the departed worthies of the Province, as far back as Governor Belcher and the haughty dame of Sir William Phipps. It was not that he was in danger of legal punishment or of beggary: he was in danger only of seeing disclosed to the judgment of his neighbors and the mournful perception of his wife
certain facts of his past life which would render him an object of scorn and an opprobrium of the religion with which he had diligently associated himself. Don Quixote at once asked the landlord what this Master Pedro was, and what was the show and what was the ape he had with him; which the landlord replied, "This is a famous puppet-showman, who for some time past has
been going about this Mancha de Aragon, exhibiting a show of the release of Melisendra by the famous Don Gaiferos, one of the kingdom for many a year; he has also with him an ape with the most extraordinary gift ever seen in an ape or imagined in a human being; for if you ask him anything, he listens
attentively to the question, and then jumps on his master's shoulder, and pressing close to his ear tells him the answer which Master Pedro then delivers. All property relations in the past have continually been subject to historical change consequent upon the change in historical conditions. With a hideous scream of pain and rage, the wounded banth hurtled, clawing, past him.
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 English, variant spelling of passed, past participle of passOrigin of past1C14: from passed, past participle of passIve in (the past)not put something past someoneExamples have ended up with knighthoods. Now 81, at an age when most of his peers are
content to reflect on past glories in between tee times and early-bird specials, Bruckheimer still starts each day with a rigorous workout. Over the past few years, the forecast has been cloudy when it comes to couches. "I think this strike means the end of any sort of denuclearization talks or diplomatic solutions that the U.S. had in mind in the past," he said. "So I want to take a
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 Pope.2. Spent; gone through; undergone. A life of glorious labours past. Alexander Pope. Pastpreposition. 1. Beyond in time. Sarah was delivered of a child, when she was pest age. Hebrews xi. 11.2. No longer capable of. Fervent prayers he made, when he was esteemed past sense, and so spent his last breath in committing his soul unto the Almighty. John Hayward. 3. Beyond;
out of reach of. We must notProstitute our past cure maladyTo empiricks. William Shakespeare, All's well that ends well. What's past help, Should be past grief. William Shakespeare, Winter's Tale. Many men have not yet sinned themselves past all sense or feeling, but have some regrets; and when their spirits are at any time disturbed with the sense of their
guilt, they are for a little time more watchful over their ways; but they are soon disheartened. Edmund Calamy, Sermons. Love, when once past government, is consequently past shame. Roger L'Estrange. Her life she might have had; but the despairOf saving his, had put it past her care. Dryden. I'm stupify'd with sorrow, past reliefOf tears. Dryden. That the bare receiving a
sum should sink a man into a servile state, is past my comprehension. Jeremy Collier, on Pride. That he means paternal power, is past thy borders. Numbers xxi. 22.5. Above; more than. The northern Irish Scots have bows not past three quarters of a
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 adjective ('thinking of past times'), a preposition ('just past the store'), and an adverb ('running past our house'). Passed, on the other hand, is only ever the past tense of the verb pass, as in 'she passed the test.' Past is a very busy word. It's an adjective in "thinking of past times"; a noun in "the distant past"; a preposition in "just past the store'), and an adverb in "walking
past." Passed is also busy, but its role is much more limited: it's only ever a form of the verb pass, as in "We passed the library on our way here" and "The law hasn't been passed yet." Since 'passes,' or 'passing' as well. The words sound identical, though, and they occupy some of the same semantic
territory, which can make it really hard to keep them straight. If you pass a park on a drive through town and want to talk about it later you can say either of the following: I drove past the park. I passed the park on my drive. The way to keep them straight is to remember that past only ever has that form, but passed is really just a version of the verb pass, so it can take the
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go past the entrance. We will pass the entrance. Both words appear in idioms as well. The phrase for when someone has lost consciousness or fallen asleep is passed out in front of the TV. It's the past tense of the verbal phrase for when someone has lost consciousness or fallen asleep is passed out.
given you trouble in the past, we recommend you give this article a passing glance from time to time. In summary: To keep past and passed is one of the forms of the verb pass. By putting a sentence in the future tense you can see which you want. Change "I drive past your house" to "I will drive past your house 
 house," and you find that past remains the same. Change "I passed your house" to "I will pass your house," and you find that passed becomes will pass. Remember the feeling of taking your driving test? Your palms were sweaty and your house, in hand, it was high time to
celebrate! As you excitedly texted all your friends, suddenly you were confused—"I past!" simply didn't look right. Is the proper phrase actually "I passed"? Grammarly helps you communicate confidently These types of grammar questions come up all the time and usually relate to words that look similar to each other but have different meanings. Known as homonyms, past
and passed are two words spelled similarly and pronounced nearly identically, just like there and their. We're here to help you get past the confusion. Let's explore the difference between past and passed so you never mix up these sneaky homonyms again. What do past and passed mean? Past refers to time or events that have already happened, while passed is the past tense
of the verb pass and is used to indicate completed actions or events. For example, "She finally passed the driving test, leaving all her doubts in the past." Knowing the definitions of past and passed is the first step to recognizing their differences. The definition of past Past can function as several different parts of speech, each with different meanings, though the most common
usage of past is as a noun to indicate an earlier time or era. It can also function as an adjective, adverb, or preposition and mean the following things: Noun: Past means "gone by in time." In past summers, we'd go to the beach
in Delaware. Adverb: The word past is also a common adverb used to describe a verb or adjective and can indicate passing from one side of something to the other. Ari worked past her issues with Gina. As a preposition: Lastly, past as a preposition is typically used to tell time or to refer to being beyond a particular point or stage. It is half past five o'clock. The milk was past
its expiration date. The definition of passed Passed functions only as a verb. Nonetheless, the word pass has many different meanings; here are some of the main ones you'll encounter: To move or proceed To be transferred To throw or kick (a ball) To go away To die (with religious connotations) To
give up control To decline to speak or bid To be confirmed as a law or rule To go from one state of being to another The one quality that unites all of these different meanings of passed is they are each indicative of an action or event that has already happened. The addition of the -ed suffix to the verb pass makes it past tense, signaling a preceding era. Past vs. passed With
commonly confused words, it's useful to commit a distinguishing trick to memory. In the case of past and passed, all you have to do with motion and time, past is never a verb. As long as you identify whether or not the word is a verb, you will know which usage is correct. Past vs
passed examples Need a few more examples of past and passed being used correctly? Here are some additional sentences that get it right: Examples with past: She liked to reminisce about the past and recall happier times. They couldn't move past the car that was blocking the road. Ada's past year of voracious reading has turned her into a real expert on film history. I think
 we're past the point of no return. Examples with passed: My grandmother passed away in January. The filly passed us at a trot, leaving a trail of dust in her wake. He passed through the crowd with mere minutes remaining in the match. Past vs. passed FAQs What does past mean? The term past has subtly
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