

# 7B GRAMMAR past simple: regular verbs

**a** Complete the dialogues in the past tense. Use the verbs in brackets.

1 **Annie** <sup>1</sup>*Did you study* French at university? (study)

**Beth** No, I <sup>2</sup> \_\_\_\_\_ French, I <sup>3</sup> \_\_\_\_\_ Italian. I <sup>4</sup> \_\_\_\_\_ in Rome for six months in my third year. (not study, study, live)

**Annie** Where <sup>5</sup> \_\_\_\_\_ you \_\_\_\_\_ in Rome? (live)

**Beth** Near the Forum. I <sup>6</sup> \_\_\_\_\_ a house with some Italian students. (rent)

**Annie** <sup>7</sup> \_\_\_\_\_ you \_\_\_\_\_ in Italian all the time? (talk)

**Beth** Not always, because they <sup>8</sup> \_\_\_\_\_ to practise their English. But I <sup>9</sup> \_\_\_\_\_ to cook great pasta! (want, learn)



2 **Alan** <sup>10</sup> \_\_\_\_\_ you \_\_\_\_\_ Brazil? (like)

**Ben** We <sup>11</sup> \_\_\_\_\_ it! We <sup>12</sup> \_\_\_\_\_ to come home. (love, not want)

**Alan** <sup>13</sup> \_\_\_\_\_ you \_\_\_\_\_ around the country? (travel)

**Ben** We <sup>14</sup> \_\_\_\_\_ much because we were only there for two weeks. (not travel)

**Alan** <sup>15</sup> \_\_\_\_\_ you \_\_\_\_\_ in hotels? (stay)

**Ben** No, we <sup>16</sup> \_\_\_\_\_. We stayed with Brazilian friends.



3 **Dave** <sup>17</sup> \_\_\_\_\_ you \_\_\_\_\_ the match? Arsenal and Real Madrid? (watch)

**Carl** No, I <sup>18</sup> \_\_\_\_\_.

**Dave** Why not?

**Carl** I <sup>19</sup> \_\_\_\_\_ late last night. I <sup>20</sup> \_\_\_\_\_ until 7.00. (work, not finish)

**Dave** But the match <sup>21</sup> \_\_\_\_\_ at 7.45. (start)

**Carl** Yes, but I <sup>22</sup> \_\_\_\_\_ my train. I <sup>23</sup> \_\_\_\_\_ home until 9.30. (miss, not arrive)

**Dave** What a pity! It was a fantastic match.



4 **Sam** I <sup>24</sup> \_\_\_\_\_ you three times last night but you <sup>25</sup> \_\_\_\_\_. (call, not answer)

**Lucy** Sorry. I was in the cinema with my sister.

**Sam** And I <sup>26</sup> \_\_\_\_\_ you too. Why <sup>27</sup> \_\_\_\_\_ you \_\_\_\_\_ me back? (text, not text)

**Lucy** Because I was angry.

**Sam** Angry? Why?

**Lucy** Because you <sup>28</sup> \_\_\_\_\_ to me at the party last week. You <sup>29</sup> \_\_\_\_\_ to Eva for about an hour. (not talk, chat)

**Sam** I <sup>30</sup> \_\_\_\_\_ to Eva for an hour! She had a problem and she just <sup>31</sup> \_\_\_\_\_ to tell me about it. (not chat, want)

**Lucy** A problem? Is that why you <sup>32</sup> \_\_\_\_\_ with her for twenty minutes? (dance)



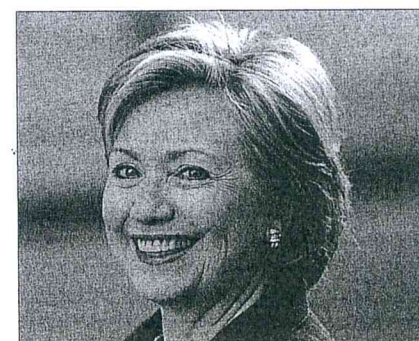
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**b** Practise the dialogues on this page in pairs.

## 7A GRAMMAR past simple of *be*: *was* / *were*

**a** Complete with *was* / *wasn't* or *were* / *weren't* to make true sentences.

- 1 Edward VIII wasn't King for very long.
- 2 Julius Caesar \_\_\_\_\_ the first Roman emperor. +
- 3 Tchaikovsky \_\_\_\_\_ the composer of *Swan Lake*. +
- 4 The Vikings \_\_\_\_\_ from Germany. -
- 5 Helena Bonham Carter \_\_\_\_\_ in the Harry Potter films. +
- 6 Roald Dahl \_\_\_\_\_ a famous British musician. -
- 7 The 2010 football World Cup \_\_\_\_\_ in South Africa. +
- 8 Brad Pitt \_\_\_\_\_ married to Jennifer Aniston. +
- 9 Socrates and Plato \_\_\_\_\_ Brazilian footballers. -
- 10 Pablo Picasso \_\_\_\_\_ Spanish. +
- 11 Beethoven \_\_\_\_\_ a Swiss composer. -
- 12 Neil Armstrong and Buzz Aldrin \_\_\_\_\_ the first men to walk on the Moon. +
- 13 Hilary Clinton \_\_\_\_\_ President of the USA in the 1990s. -
- 14 The Incas \_\_\_\_\_ from Mexico. -
- 15 Marco Polo \_\_\_\_\_ born in Italy. +
- 16 The Beatles \_\_\_\_\_ from Liverpool. +
- 17 Vincent van Gogh and Leonardo da Vinci \_\_\_\_\_ famous German painters. -
- 18 William Wallace (Braveheart) \_\_\_\_\_ from Ireland. -
- 19 The last Olympic Games in Asia \_\_\_\_\_ in Beijing in 2008. +
- 20 The Wall Street Crash \_\_\_\_\_ in 1939. -



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**b** Work with a partner. Make questions and test your partner's memory.

Was Edward VIII King for very long? (No, he wasn't.)



# 8A GRAMMAR past simple: regular and irregular verbs

- a Complete the conversation with the past tense of the verb in the brackets. Be careful with ☐, ☐, and ☐.

## A new life

**Inspector Granger** OK, Mr Thomas. Please just relax and tell me the problem.

**Mr Thomas** It's my wife. She <sup>1</sup>went (go) out yesterday evening. And she <sup>2</sup>\_\_\_\_\_ (not come) back.

**Inspector Granger** When <sup>3</sup>\_\_\_\_\_ (you / see) your wife for the last time?

**Mr Thomas** Yesterday evening, at about nine thirty.

**Inspector Granger** Tell me what happened yesterday. <sup>4</sup>\_\_\_\_\_ (you / do) anything unusual?

**Mr Thomas** No, it <sup>5</sup>\_\_\_\_\_ (be) just a normal day. We <sup>6</sup>\_\_\_\_\_ (wake up) at seven. I <sup>7</sup>\_\_\_\_\_ (have) breakfast. Then I <sup>8</sup>\_\_\_\_\_ (drive) to work. My wife <sup>9</sup>\_\_\_\_\_ (not have) breakfast. In the morning I think she <sup>10</sup>\_\_\_\_\_ (go) shopping. She <sup>11</sup>\_\_\_\_\_ (come) home at lunchtime. I don't know what she <sup>12</sup>\_\_\_\_\_ (do) in the afternoon. She probably <sup>13</sup>\_\_\_\_\_ (make) the dinner.

**Inspector Granger** When <sup>14</sup>\_\_\_\_\_ (you / come) home?

**Mr Thomas** I <sup>15</sup>\_\_\_\_\_ (arrive) home at about seven thirty. I <sup>16</sup>\_\_\_\_\_ (sit) down and <sup>17</sup>\_\_\_\_\_ (read) the newspaper, and <sup>18</sup>\_\_\_\_\_ (check) my emails. We <sup>19</sup>\_\_\_\_\_ (have) dinner at about eight. After dinner, I <sup>20</sup>\_\_\_\_\_ (watch) TV. I <sup>21</sup>\_\_\_\_\_ (go to sleep) in my chair.

**Inspector Granger** <sup>22</sup>\_\_\_\_\_ (you / speak) to your wife at all? What <sup>23</sup>\_\_\_\_\_ (she / say) to you?

**Mr Thomas** We <sup>24</sup>\_\_\_\_\_ (not talk) during dinner. After dinner she <sup>25</sup>\_\_\_\_\_ (say), 'This isn't a life. I need to go out.' She <sup>26</sup>\_\_\_\_\_ (call) a taxi. I <sup>27</sup>\_\_\_\_\_ (hear) the taxi about fifteen minutes later. She <sup>28</sup>\_\_\_\_\_ (take) her bag and her coat and <sup>29</sup>\_\_\_\_\_ (close) the door. She <sup>30</sup>\_\_\_\_\_ (not say) goodbye.

**Inspector Granger** I see, Sir. I think I know why she <sup>31</sup>\_\_\_\_\_ (leave).



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- b Read the story again. Then cover it. Can you remember five things that Mr and Mrs Thomas did yesterday?



## 7C GRAMMAR past simple: irregular verbs

- a Complete the story with the past simple form of the verbs in brackets.



### My memorable night at the Edinburgh Festival by Lotte

This happened in my first summer when I was at Edinburgh University. I lived in a room in a big house with three friends. That summer some musicians rented two other rooms in our house. It <sup>1</sup> was (be) August and the Edinburgh Music and Arts Festival was on. The musicians <sup>2</sup> \_\_\_\_\_ (be) from Poland, Italy, and the Netherlands. One afternoon they <sup>3</sup> \_\_\_\_\_ (tell) me about a Latin music club. My friends and I <sup>4</sup> \_\_\_\_\_ (say) that we wanted to go with them. We <sup>5</sup> \_\_\_\_\_ (meet) them at the club that evening at 9.00 p.m. It <sup>6</sup> \_\_\_\_\_ (have) a really friendly atmosphere and the music <sup>7</sup> \_\_\_\_\_ (be) fantastic! Our new friends <sup>8</sup> \_\_\_\_\_ (speak) English very well and we <sup>9</sup> \_\_\_\_\_ (spend) the evening dancing and chatting. When we <sup>10</sup> \_\_\_\_\_ (leave) the club; we <sup>11</sup> \_\_\_\_\_ (find) that we <sup>12</sup> \_\_\_\_\_ (not have) the money for a taxi home. It <sup>13</sup> \_\_\_\_\_ (be) a warm night, so we walked home through the streets. The musicians <sup>14</sup> \_\_\_\_\_ (see) the historic buildings and monuments for the first time, and they <sup>15</sup> \_\_\_\_\_ (think) that they <sup>16</sup> \_\_\_\_\_ (be) really beautiful. We <sup>17</sup> \_\_\_\_\_ (get) home at 4.00 a.m., but we <sup>18</sup> \_\_\_\_\_ (not go) to bed. We <sup>19</sup> \_\_\_\_\_ (make) some coffee and chatted. Then our friends played their guitars and we <sup>20</sup> \_\_\_\_\_ (sing) songs that we all <sup>21</sup> \_\_\_\_\_ (know). It <sup>22</sup> \_\_\_\_\_ (be) a wonderful, memorable evening and, ten years later, we are still friends.

- b Complete these questions about the story.

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| 1 Which month <u>was the Edinburgh Festival</u> in? | It was in August.                                      |
| 2 Where _____ from?                                 | They were from Poland, Italy, and the Netherlands.     |
| 3 What _____ Lotte about?                           | They told her about a Latin music club.                |
| 4 What time _____ at the club?                      | They met at 9.00 p.m.                                  |
| 5 _____ good?                                       | Yes, it was fantastic.                                 |
| 6 What _____ at the club?                           | They danced and chatted all evening.                   |
| 7 Why _____ a taxi home?                            | Because they didn't have enough money.                 |
| 8 What _____ for the first time?                    | They saw Edinburgh's historic buildings and monuments. |
| 9 _____ when they got home?                         | No, they made coffee and chatted.                      |
| 10 What _____ after that?                           | They played their guitars and sang.                    |

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- c Work with a partner. Cover the answers. Take turns to answer the questions. Then cover the questions and take turns to make the questions from the answers.