

**5 Complete the text with the past simple form of these verbs.**

create • finish • practise • start • take • train •  
go • become

### **The history of judo**

The man who invented modern judo was Jigoro Kano. When he was 17 he (1) ..... to practise a traditional martial art called jujitsu. Originally, professional soldiers called samurai (2) ..... jujitsu to fight their enemies on the battlefield. Then the era of samurai (3) ..... and jujitsu was not very popular. But Kano was passionate about it and (4) ..... with the great master of the school of jujitsu. When he was only 21 years old, he (5) ..... the best things about each jujitsu style and (6) ..... a new school. At first there were only nine students in his school, but then Kano (7) ..... to Europe and made judo popular around the world. Judo (8) ..... an Olympic sport in 1964. This was a sign that judo was a popular sport both inside and outside Japan.