



TASK A. Complete sentences with the future in the past. (was / were going to)

1. Henry. Good Lord. I forgot you _____ (come) for supper.
2. The police _____ (charge) me with robbery.
3. The start of the film was wonderful. I hoped it _____ (get) better, but in fact it got worse as it went on.
4. I went to bed early as I _____ (leave) for New York the next day.
5. He was a sensible boy, and she knew he _____ (take) care of him.
6. You _____ (show) me the photos, but we were interrupted.

TASK B. Use "was going to" or "were going to" and the correct past tense verb for each sentence:

Example: A: Did you take out the trash?

B: I was going to, but then the phone rang. (ring)

1. A: Is Dave coming to our party?
B: He _____, but he _____ a babysitter for his kids. (*can't find*)
2. A: Are you making dinner tonight?
B: I _____ until the power _____ out. (*go*)
3. A: Is your daughter going to college?
B: She _____, but she _____ to take a year off and travel first. (*decide*)
4. A: Is the teacher going to stay after class?
B: He _____, but he _____ out he had a meeting to go to later. (*find*)
5. A: Are your neighbors going to sell their house?
B: They _____ until the real estate market _____. (*crash*)
6. A: Are you going to buy a new computer?
B: Well, I _____ buy a new iMac until I _____ my job. (*lose*)
7. A: What are Jim and Victoria doing tonight?
B: They _____ see a movie, but instead they _____ reservations at a restaurant. (*make*)
8. A: Did the plumber come to fix the toilet today?
B: He _____ come this morning, but his truck _____ down. (*break*)
9. A: Did the kids do their homework yet?
B: They _____ do it until Uncle Joe _____ by for a surprise visit. (*come*)
10. A: Did I pay the credit card bill yet this month? I can't remember.
B: No, you didn't. You said you _____ wait until you _____. (*get paid*)

TASK C. Match the beginnings and endings.

I was going to ..., but ...

Note: We often use I was going to ..., but as an excuse.

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| 1. I was going to do the washing up... | a) _____ but Jim's just invited me to play golf. |
| 2. I was going to cut the grass... | b) _____ but it's just started to rain. |
| 3. I was going to invite you to the party... | c) _____ but I forgot your number. |
| 4. I was going to tell you earlier... | d) _____ but I couldn't find a pen anywhere. |
| 5. I was going to do my homework... | e) _____ but we've run out of Fairy Liquid. |
| 6. I was going to help you tidy up... | f) _____ but I got distracted and forgot about it until now. |

TASK D. Choose the correct option for each sentence:

1- My mom planned to call my sister last night, but she forgot.

- a- She were going to call last night, but she forgot.
- b- She was going to call last night, but she forgot.
- c- She going to call last night, but she forgot.
- d- She was calling last night, but she forgot.

2- Mary _____ tell me a secret, but didn't.

- a) was going to
- b) were going to
- c) going to
- d) was go to

3- The game _____ be played at 1pm, but it rained, so they postponed the starting time.

- a) was going to
- b) were going to
- c) was go to
- d) wasn't going to

4- Originally, Tricia and Mark _____ come, but they changed their minds and came!

- a) was going to
- b) were going to
- c) wasn't going to
- d) weren't going to

TASK D. Write in the gaps the correct adverb **INSTEAD OF** or **WHEREAS**. Follow the examples:

1. They should go to the USA instead of going to England.
2. She likes chocolate, whereas he likes coffee.
3. You should do something about the problem, _____ complaining.
4. Why don't they paint it red _____ painting it green?
5. Our neighbours have a swimming pool, _____ we don't.
6. She bought a pair of trousers _____ buying a dress.
7. _____ they like to go skiing, we prefer hiking.
8. Children hate soups, _____ adults usually like them.
9. Why don't we go to the theatre _____ having a party?
10. Monkeys live in a peaceful society, _____ humans constantly fight.

TASK E. Rewrite these sentences, with "**instead**" **AT THE END OF THE SENTENCE**. Follow the examples:

My wife wanted to buy a new car, but I decided to buy a used car.

My wife wanted to buy a new car, but I bought a used car **instead**.

I wanted to wear shorts, but it was too cold, so I wore jeans.

It was too cold, so I didn't wear shorts. I wore jeans **instead**.

1. I usually download songs instead of buying the CDs.

2. I walked to work rather than driving today.

3. Mary decided to give her money to charity instead of buying a new video game.

4. Jake will go to graduate school rather than getting a job.
