

A Put a tick (✓) next to the correct forms of the Past Simple, and cross out those which are incorrect. You can look at Appendix 3, page 244, before you do the exercise.

walked ✓	drinked	went	played	writed	swam
taked	wrote	cooked	gived	spent	finded
drank	asked	flew	made	sended	buyed
gave	meeted	took	left	found	winned
met	passed	stoped	followed	sent	eated
won	cryed	comed	drove	bought	brought
leaved	swimmed	cried	stopped	ate	crossed

B Complete the sentences using the Past Simple form and the words in brackets ().

- We went..... (go) on holiday to Scotland last year.
- 1 I (take) a taxi from the airport to the city centre.
- 2 We (walk) to the park and then we (play) tennis.
- 3 The man in the shop (say) something to the woman, but she (not/hear) him.
- 4 I (ring) the doorbell and a woman (open) the door.
- 5 I (write) a letter to a friend, and then I (post) it.
- 6 A: (you/understand) the film?
B: No. I (try) to understand it, but the actors (speak) very quickly.
- 7 A: (you/buy) some clothes at the market?
B: Yes, I (buy) a pair of trousers and a shirt.
- 8 A: (you/enjoy) the festival?
B: Yes. It (not/rain) and we (listen) to some good music.

C Make sentences using the correct form of the Past Simple.

- (When/you/leave/the party?) When did you leave the party?.....
- 1 (When/you/finish/your exams?)
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- 2 (I/wait/for an hour, but he/not/phone.)
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- 3 (you/watch/the news on TV last night?)
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- 4 (Mark/stop/smoking last month, and he/start/playing tennis again last week.)
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- 5 (He/ask/me a question, but I/not/know/the answer.)
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- 6 (I/live/there for a few years, but I/not/like/the place.)
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D It's the beginning of a new term at university. Two students, Nick and Eric, are talking about the summer holidays. Complete their conversation using the correct Past Simple form of the words in brackets ().

- Nick: What (►) did you do..... (you/do) in the summer?
- Eric: I (1)..... (take) a trip around Europe by train.
- Nick: (2)..... (you/go) on your own, or with some friends?
- Eric: A couple of friends (3)..... (come) with me.
- Nick: How many countries (4)..... (you/visit)?
- Eric: I (5)..... (go) to six or seven countries. I (6)..... (have) a great time, and I really (7)..... (love) all of them.
- Nick: Which one (8)..... (you/like) most?
- Eric: Sweden, I think. I (9)..... (enjoy) exploring the marvellous countryside and I (10)..... (take) lots of photographs.
- Nick: When (11)..... (you/arrive) back home?
- Eric: Last week. I'm still rather tired.