

b Complete the story with the past simple or past continuous of the verbs in brackets.



When Alex Jones ¹*arrived* (arrive) at JFK International Airport, she ²_____ (look) around, but she ³_____ (not see) anybody there to meet her. A lot of people ⁴_____ (hold) cards with names on them, but they ⁵_____ (not wait) for her. She ⁶_____ (not know) what to do, but it ⁷_____ (be) a beautiful, sunny day, so she ⁸_____ (decide) to go to the hotel on her own. She ⁹_____ (go) outside and ¹⁰_____ (look) for a taxi. A lot of people ¹¹_____ (wait), so she ¹²_____ (catch) the airport bus into New York. The bus ¹³_____ (stop) in Manhattan, quite near the hotel, and she ¹⁴_____ (get) off. She ¹⁵_____ (walk) into the hotel and ¹⁶_____ (give) her name, Alexandra Jones. She ¹⁷_____ (talk) to the receptionist when suddenly a man ¹⁸_____ (run) up to her. He ¹⁹_____ (carry) a card which ²⁰_____ (read) 'Mr Jones'. 'Ms Jones? I'm terribly sorry! I ²¹_____ (wait) for you at the airport, but I ²²_____ (think) you ²³_____ (be) a man!' 'That's OK,' ²⁴_____ (say) Alex. 'It happens to me all the time!'