

PAST TENSES

NAME: DATE:

Write sentences, using the past simple, the past continuous or the past perfect.

- 1 Luis / show / me / his new mobile phone / yesterday.

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- 2 I / not enjoy / science class / last year.

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- 3 the tickets / already / sell out / when / we / get / to the cinema.

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- 4 you / read / that article / about virtual reality / last week?

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- 5 I / do / my homework / when / the lights / go / out.

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- 6 It / rain / when / I / leave / the house.

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- 7 She / write / illustrate / promote / the magazine / by herself.

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- 8 She / work / on her laptop / last week / because her computer / break / the week before.

..... the

Complete the text with the correct past simple or past continuous form of these verbs.

decide

find

form

leave

live

return

spend

start

study

work

and 1 building computers while he 2 at college. He
3 with his parents at that time. He 4 college after only six
months and 5 some time travelling around India. When he
6 to the US, he 7 a job with the technology company
Atari. While he 8 there, he 9 to set up his own company.
Jobs 10 the Apple company in 1976 with his friend Steve Wozniak, and
together they changed the world of phones and personal computing for ever.

Use the prompts to write sentences using the past perfect and the past simple.

My parents were musicians. (my mum already start a band – meet my dad)

My mum had already started a band when she met my dad.

1 The news broke on social media. (everyone already hear it – the news channels report it)

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2 I tried to learn Russian, but I gave up. (be the hardest language – I ever study)

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3 I saw a mobile phone from the nineties in the museum. (be the biggest mobile phone – I ever see)

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Choose the correct answer, A, B or C. Sometimes more than one answer is possible.

- 1 I _____ in London when I was younger.
☐ A used to live ☐ B would live ☐ C lived
- 2 I _____ my grandparents every weekend.
☐ A was visiting ☐ B used to visit ☐ C would visit
- 3 Who _____ the mobile phone?
☐ A invented ☐ B used to invent ☐ C was inventing
- 4 I didn't hear my phone last night because I _____.
☐ A slept ☐ B was sleeping ☐ C used to sleep
- 5 In the 1980s, most people _____ computers at home.
☐ A didn't have ☐ B didn't use to have ☐ C wouldn't have
- 6 _____ cycle to school when you were young?
☐ A Were you ☐ B Did you use to ☐ C You used to