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1 PRONUNCIATION past simple verbs

a Match the verbs with the same vowel sound.

bought could drove had learned lost made said

- 1 came made
 2 left _____
 3 got _____
 4 ran _____
 5 saw _____
 6 spoke _____
 7 took _____
 8 heard _____

b 8.1 Listen and check. Then listen again and repeat.

2 GRAMMAR past simple: regular and irregular

a Complete the chart.

Present	Past
They're early.	¹ <u>They were early.</u>
I'm not thirsty.	² _____ thirsty.
³ _____ ill?	Was he ill?
I can hear it.	⁴ _____ hear it.
⁵ _____ find it.	He couldn't find it.
Can you see them?	⁶ _____ see them?
⁷ _____ a lot.	She studied a lot.
We don't like it.	⁸ _____ it.
⁹ _____ late?	Did it finish late?
He speaks French.	¹⁰ _____ French.
¹¹ _____ a car.	She didn't have a car.
Do you feel tired?	¹² _____ tired?

b Read this police report. Are the **bold** phrases right (✓) or wrong (X). Correct the wrong phrases.

POLICE REPORT

Bank robbery

On the evening of 1st March, ¹ **we arrived at the bank** at 9.36 p.m. and ² **we park the police car outside**. The bank was closed and ³ **all the lights was off**. When we looked through the window, ⁴ **we saw a man** inside the bank. At first ⁵ **we didn't can see who it was**, but then he opened the door. ⁶ **It is Steven Potter**. ⁷ **He didn't run to his car**, he walked, and then he drove away. The next day, ⁸ **we go to his house at 6.00 a.m.** We found him in bed. ⁹ **He didn't wanted to speak to us**, so ¹⁰ **we took him to the police station** for questioning.

- ¹ ✓ _____
² X we parked the police car outside
³ _____
⁴ _____
⁵ _____
⁶ _____
⁷ _____
⁸ _____
⁹ _____
¹⁰ _____



- c Complete the questions with the correct form of the verbs in brackets.

INSPECTOR Where ¹were you at about 9.30 yesterday evening? (be)

STEVEN POTTER I was at the cinema. The film ²started at 9.00. (start)

I What film ³_____? (see)

SP I can't remember. It wasn't very good.

I Hmm. Very interesting. And who ⁴_____ to the cinema with? (go)

SP With my girlfriend.

I ⁵_____ the film? (like)

SP Yes, she thought it was very good.

I What time ⁶_____ the film _____? (finish)

SP At about 10.30.

I And what ⁷_____ after you left the cinema? (do)

SP We went to a restaurant – Mamma Mia on the High Street.

I Mamma Mia? I know it. Very good spaghetti. What time ⁸_____ the restaurant? (leave)

SP At about 12.00.

I That's very late. ⁹_____ home after that? (go)

SP No, we went to a nightclub – Flanagan's. Then we went home.

I How? ¹⁰_____ a taxi? (get)

SP No, we got a bus.

I And what time ¹¹_____ to bed? (go)

SP At about 4.00 a.m. Can I go home now? I'm tired.

I No, I'd like to ask you some more questions...

- b Complete the sentences with the past simple form of the verbs from the list.

break buy can find hear
lose make meet take think

1 Last night we heard a noise downstairs.

2 They _____ their friends outside the restaurant.

3 The police _____ the man's daughter was the murderer.

4 The policeman _____ the money in an old bag.

5 I _____ a detective story in the bookshop.

6 My girlfriend _____ her mobile phone last night.

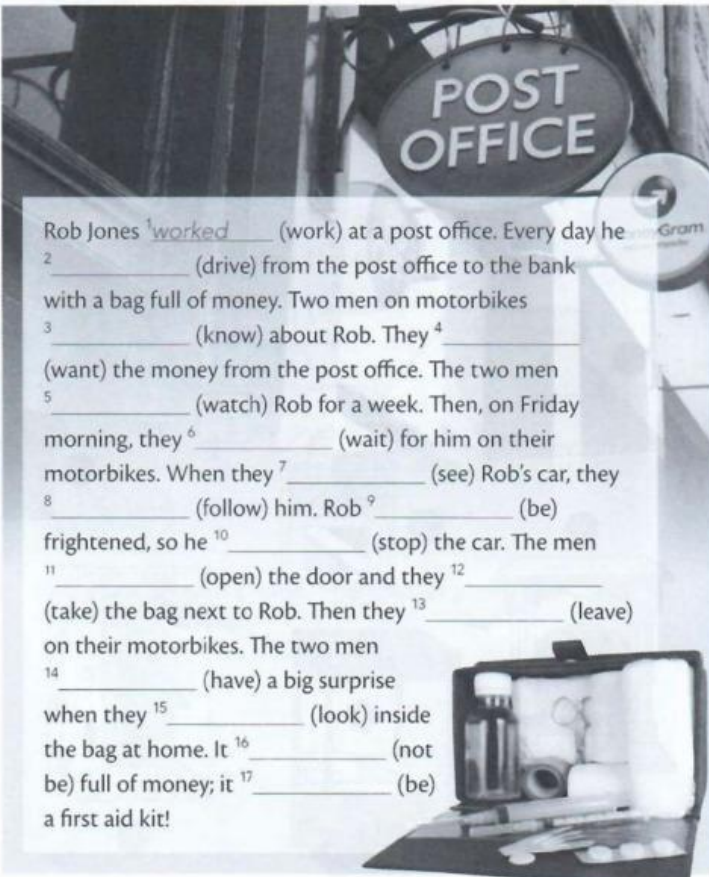
7 The man _____ a window and went into the house.

8 Somebody _____ my laptop when I was out of the room.

9 I was thirsty so I _____ a cup of tea.

10 We were worried because we _____ see a police car outside our house.

- c Complete the story with the past simple form of the verbs in brackets.



Rob Jones ¹worked (work) at a post office. Every day he ²_____ (drive) from the post office to the bank with a bag full of money. Two men on motorbikes ³_____ (know) about Rob. They ⁴_____ (want) the money from the post office. The two men ⁵_____ (watch) Rob for a week. Then, on Friday morning, they ⁶_____ (wait) for him on their motorbikes. When they ⁷_____ (see) Rob's car, they ⁸_____ (follow) him. Rob ⁹_____ (be) frightened, so he ¹⁰_____ (stop) the car. The men ¹¹_____ (open) the door and they ¹²_____ (take) the bag next to Rob. Then they ¹³_____ (leave) on their motorbikes. The two men ¹⁴_____ (have) a big surprise when they ¹⁵_____ (look) inside the bag at home. It ¹⁶_____ (not be) full of money; it ¹⁷_____ (be) a first aid kit!

3 VOCABULARY irregular verbs

- a Complete the infinitive and past forms of these irregular verbs with a, e, i, o, or u.

Infinitive	Past
1 beg <u>i</u> n	beg <u>a</u> n
2 c <u>e</u> me	c <u>e</u> me
3 dr <u>o</u> nk	dr <u>o</u> nk
4 dr <u>o</u> ve	dr <u>o</u> ve
5 g <u>o</u> ve	g <u>o</u> ve
6 kn <u>o</u> w	kn <u>o</u> w
7 p <u>a</u> t	p <u>a</u> t
8 s <u>a</u> t	s <u>a</u> t
9 sw <u>a</u> m	sw <u>a</u> m
10 w <u>a</u> ke (up)	w <u>a</u> ke (up)
11 w <u>a</u> n	w <u>a</u> n
12 wr <u>a</u> te	wr <u>a</u> te

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