

# 12A

## Strangers on a train

G simple past: regular and irregular verbs V regular and irregular verbs P irregular verbs

Where did he see her?

He saw her on the train.

### 1 VOCABULARY & PRONUNCIATION

#### regular and irregular verbs

a Take the Verbs quiz with a partner.

### VERBS QUIZ

1 Look at the **regular verbs** and answer the questions.

arrive ask close exchange finish  
look move open start stop  
talk wait

a Which verb doubles the final consonant before the -ed ending?  
b Which four verbs only add -d?  
c In which two verbs is the -ed ending pronounced /ɪd/?

2 Match the simple past of the **irregular verbs** to the verbs.

wrote bought sent sat  
left said told saw

buy \_\_\_\_\_ send \_\_\_\_\_  
leave \_\_\_\_\_ sit \_\_\_\_\_  
say \_\_\_\_\_ tell \_\_\_\_\_  
see \_\_\_\_\_ write \_\_\_\_\_

b 12.1 Listen and repeat the verbs in the quiz in the past tense.

c 12.2 Cover the quiz. Listen and say the verb in the past tense.

1 ) say ( said

2 ) tell ( told

### 2 READING & LISTENING

12.3-12.4 Read and listen to the story. In pairs, ask and answer the questions after each part.

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#### 12.3 Part 1

When the train stopped at the station, I opened my eyes and looked out of the window. I saw a woman on the platform. She was tall and blond with blue eyes. The train moved and I closed my eyes. It was 4:00 p.m. and the train was full.

"Excuse me. Can I sit here?" I opened my eyes again. It was the tall, blond woman.

"Sure," I answered. She sat down next to me. There was a nice smell. Chanel No. 5. I started to listen to music on my phone.

"I love Chopin."

"Sorry?" I said.

"You're listening to Chopin. I love classical music." She smiled. Her eyes were very blue.

We talked about music until the train arrived at Paddington Station. "Would you like a cup of coffee?" she asked me. I looked at my watch. "OK," I said. "I have time."

- 1 Where did the man first see the woman?
- 2 What was the woman's perfume?
- 3 What did they talk about?
- 4 What did the woman invite him to do when the train arrived?

#### 12.4 Part 2

We bought two coffees at the station café. We sat down.

"My name's Olivia," she said.

"I'm David. I'm from Chicago. Nice to meet you. What do you do?" I asked.

"I work in property – flats and houses. What do you do?"

"I work for Citibank."

"That's interesting!" said Olivia. "Do you live in London?"

"Yes, but I'm new here. I moved to London last month. I have a flat in Chelsea."

"Wow! That's an expensive part of London!"

I looked at my watch. "Time to go. I have a tennis lesson this evening."

"I can drive you home," she said. "I live near Chelsea." I told her my address.

- 5 What's Olivia's job?
- 6 What's David's job?
- 7 Where do they live?
- 8 Why did David give Olivia his address?

#### Glossary

**property** land and buildings



### 3 GRAMMAR simple past: regular and irregular verbs

a Read the conversations and circle the correct form.

- 1 A Where did you **go** / **went** on Saturday?  
B I **go** / **went** clothes shopping.  
A What did you **buy** / **bought**?  
B I **buy** / **bought** a new jacket.  
A Did / Was it expensive?  
B No, it **didn't** / **wasn't**.
- 2 A What **did** you **do** / **did you** last night?  
B I **was** / **went** to the movies. I **see** / **saw** a new Japanese movie.  
A Did / Was you like / **liked** it?  
B No, I **didn't** like / **didn't liked** it very much. It **was** / **were** very slow.

b 12.5 Listen and check.

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c With a partner, retell Parts 1 and 2 of the story. Use the questions to help you.

- How did David meet Olivia?
- What did they talk about?
- What happened at Paddington Station?
- How did David get home from the station?

#### 4 VIDEO LISTENING

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a 12.9 Watch or listen to *Strangers on a train* Part 3. Answer the questions.

- 1 What kind of car did Olivia have?
- 2 What did she have two tickets for?
- 3 Where did she want to meet him? What time?



b 12.10 Watch or listen to *Strangers on a train* Part 4. Answer the questions.

- 1 What time did David arrive at the concert hall?
- 2 What happened at 7:45? What did David do?
- 3 What did David do when the concert finished?
- 4 What did he do after that?
- 5 Why do you think Olivia didn't come to the concert?
- 6 What do you think David saw when he opened the door?

c 12.11 Watch or listen to Part 5, the end of the story. Do you think it was a good ending?

#### American and British English

American English	British English
apartment	flat
parking lot	car park
call (v.)	phone (v.)

### WORDS AND PHRASES TO LEARN 12A

p.132 Listen and repeat the words and phrases.

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