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The time machine

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Talking about history | Technology, internet and computers | Everyday technology

GRAMMAR
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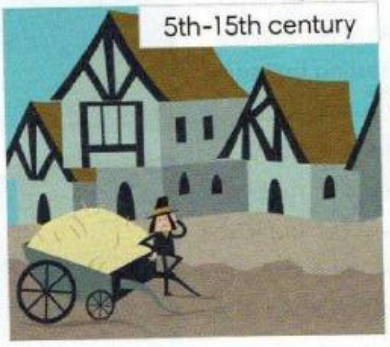
BBC CULTURE
Are museums boring?



7.1 VOCABULARY The past and technology

I can talk about technology and important moments in the past.

1 ● When did these things happen? Look at the pictures and complete the sentences.



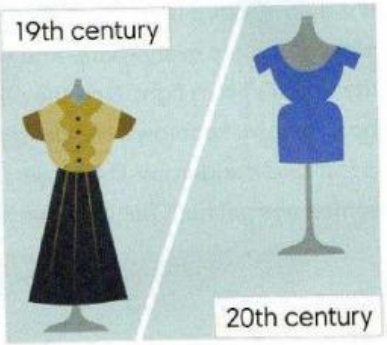
1 Life was hard *in the Middle Ages*.



2 My sister was born _____ ago.



3 I went to England _____.



4 Fashion changed a lot _____.



5 Our town changed a lot _____.



6 Phones looked very different _____.

2 ● Complete the words in the sentences.

1 The bicycle was a very important in v ent i on.
2 Darwin's t_ _r_ of evolution wasn't popular at first.
3 Scientists believe that the u_ _ _ r_e started with the Big Bang, thirteen billion years ago.
4 John Blankenbaker invented the p_ _ _ _ _l c_ _ _ _ _r. The monitor was like a television and the keyboard was very, very big.
5 There was a fire and a big e_ _ o_ _ n in the factory.

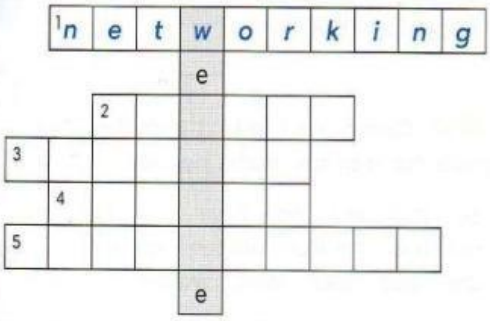
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3 ●● **Complete the sentences with the Past Simple form of the verbs below.**

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1 Last week my dad *sold* his car for a lot of money.
2 I _____ everything the teacher said.
3 We _____ an essay in class yesterday.
4 James _____ a big piece of cake and was ill on his birthday.
5 I _____ swim when I was eight years old.
6 Sue _____ a good dictionary last week.
7 The concert _____ at 8.00 and finished at 11.00.
8 My sister Katy _____ a teacher in 2016.

4 ● **Complete the word puzzle with technology words. What's the hidden word?**



1 You can use this site to post photos, read friends' news and chat with friends: social _____ site
2 A video camera on your computer; you can use it to have video calls with friends: _____
3 This is the program that shows the internet on your screen: web _____
4 This is a website that helps you find information on the internet: search _____
5 You can use this to call your friends. It usually has a camera for photos and videos and you can also get on the internet with it: _____

The hidden word is: _____.

5 ●● **Complete the sentences with words from Exercise 4 in the correct form.**

1 I'm on several *social networking sites* and check them all the time.
2 My favourite _____ is Google.
3 With my _____, I can see my friends when we chat online.
4 I often use the Wikipedia _____ to get information for school.
5 I've got a new _____ and I love it! It's so thin and the batteries last a long time.
6 My dad uses Firefox but my favourite _____ is Google Chrome.

6 ●● **Find words in the word search below to complete the sentences. Look ↑, ↓, ↗ and ↘.**

1 Albert Einstein's *theory* of relativity is very important.
2 The Past Simple of *sell* is _____.
3 I use a web _____ to search online.
4 YouTube is my favourite _____.
5 I _____ too much and my tummy hurts.
6 I can message you on Skype but I haven't got a _____, so I can't see you.
7 I _____ swim when I was three.

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7 ●●● **Complete the blog with one word in each gap.**

myblog

My high-tech grandma

It was my gran's birthday three days [1]*ago*. She was born in [2]_____ 1950s. When she was young, there weren't any personal [3]_____, so she wrote letters, not emails or texts. Now she loves technology. She's very interested in Greek myths, and her favourite [4]_____ is greekmyth.com. My present for her birthday was a [5]_____ so that she can see her sister in Australia when they chat online. My parents' present was a new [6]_____! It's really cool and the batteries last forever! [7]_____ to them she can now text and send messages easily. I tried to explain social [8]_____ sites to her but it was hard!

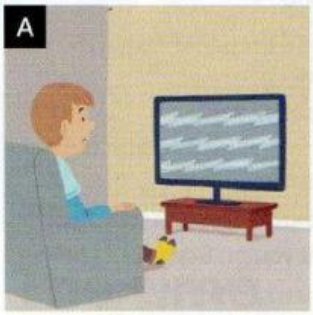
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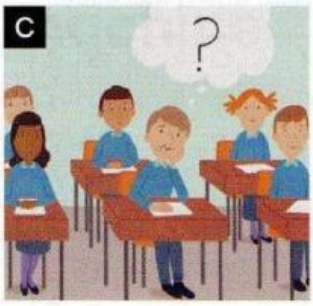
7.2 GRAMMAR Past Simple (negative)

I can use the Past Simple negative to talk about events in the past.

1 ● Match pictures A–F with sentences 1–6.













1 [C] I didn't understand the question.
2 [ ] I didn't watch the film.
3 [ ] I didn't have a shower.
4 [ ] I didn't win the cup.
5 [ ] I didn't sleep.
6 [ ] I didn't pass the test.

2 ● Make the sentences negative.

1 I played tennis yesterday.
I didn't play tennis yesterday.
2 Jack went to the USA on holiday.
_____
3 My parents bought an expensive TV last week.
_____
4 We had a test in class this morning.
_____
5 I chatted to my friends on a social networking site last night.
_____
6 Tanya lost her smartphone at the weekend.
_____

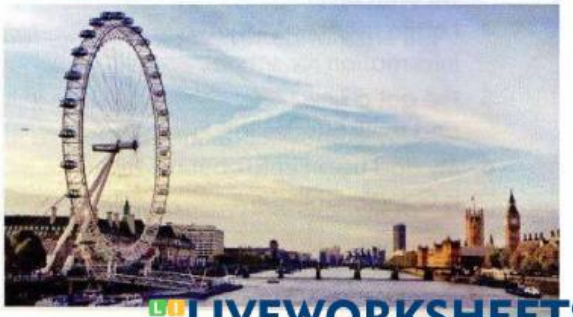
3 ●● Write sentences about Pete using the Past Simple form of the verbs in brackets.

1 (get up late ✓)
On Saturday Pete got up late.
2 (have eggs for breakfast ✗)
He didn't have eggs for breakfast.
3 (do his homework ✗)
_____
4 (go shopping ✓)
_____
5 (hang out with his friends ✗)
_____
6 (play a computer game ✓)
_____
7 (have dinner with his parents ✗)
_____
8 (stay up late ✗)
_____

4 ●●● Complete the text with the Past Simple form of the verbs below.

be buy eat go have like not go
not have not like not see not spend
see stay take walk watch

When I [1] *was* in England, I [2] _____ with my English friend Jenny and she [3] _____ me to London for a weekend. We [4] _____ shopping but we [5] _____ to some interesting museums. One was very big and I [6] _____ some amazing things there. They [7] _____ lots of things from Egypt. We [8] _____ everything because it was so big and we [9] _____ much time. There was a small shop there and I [10] _____ some postcards, but I [11] _____ a lot of money. Then we [12] _____ through a lovely park and [13] _____ the boats on the River Thames. There was a food market and we [14] _____ some fish and chips. I [15] _____ the fish but I [16] _____ the chips – they were cold.



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7.3 READING and VOCABULARY Living without a smartphone

I can find specific detail in an article and talk about losing a favourite gadget.

1 **Complete the words.**

1 This keeps food and drinks cold: **f r i d g e**
2 You can boil water in this: **k _ _ _ _**
3 You use this so your mobile phone keeps working: **c _ _ _ _ _**
4 This cleans your teeth very well: **e _ _ _ _ _ _ t _ _ _ _ _ _ _**
5 You prepare hot meals on this: **c _ _ _ _**
6 You clean clothes in this: **w _ _ _ _ _ m _ _ _ _ _**

2 **Read the article. Choose the best title.**

a A day in London without a phone
b Why we love our phones
c A silly mistake on a train

3 **Read the article again. Mark the sentences ✓ (right), ✗ (wrong) or ? (doesn't say).**

1 ☐ Carly lost her phone at a café in London.
2 ☐ She travelled to London with classmates.
3 ☐ Someone took her phone from her pocket.
4 ☐ She didn't use her phone that day.
5 ☐ Her dad is buying her the newest phone for her birthday.
6 ☐ She missed her phone a lot.

A reader, Carly, tells us about losing her smartphone and how it felt!



OK, Carly, tell us about your smartphone. What happened?

It was the worst thing! I lost my smartphone a month ago when I went to London with the school. We went by train and I used it on the journey – to check emails and texts. I didn't use it a lot – only three or four times. Then when we were at a café in London, I wanted to send a message to my friend; my phone wasn't in my bag and it wasn't in my pocket! Disaster! I remembered I put it on a seat on the train and didn't put it back in my bag. Oops!

So, you checked with the train company, right?

Of course! But they didn't have it. No, someone saw it and thought, 'What a nice phone!' and put it in their bag or pocket! It was expensive and I didn't have the money to buy another one. I waited for a week and then asked my dad. He bought me a cheap one, but it's my birthday next month, so I'm hoping!

Was that week hard?

It was terrible. I talked to my friends on my mum's phone and used my computer for emails but I hated it. I didn't sleep, lessons were hard at school – it was very strange. People say we use our phones too much – I think they're right. Your phone becomes a part of you and that isn't right! But it's hard to live without them.



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7.4 GRAMMAR Past Simple (questions and short answers)

I can use the Past Simple to ask and answer questions about the past.

1 Complete the dialogue with the phrases below.

OUT of class

Of course not! Seriously?

Tony: It rained every day when we were on holiday.
Gail: [1] _____ Every day?
Tony: Yes. It started the moment we got off the plane and it didn't stop.
Gail: Did you stay in the hotel room all week?
Tony: [2] _____ We went swimming in the rain. It was fun!

2 ● Write questions.

1 He lived in Scotland when he was young.
Did he live in Scotland when he was young?
2 All the students passed the test.
_____
3 Maria found her essay.
_____
4 They made a lot of noise last night.
_____
5 Mick woke his parents up when he got home.
_____
6 Chris and Sandy bought a new computer at the weekend.
_____
7 Gary lost his smartphone at the concert.
_____

3 ● Write short answers for the questions in Exercise 2.

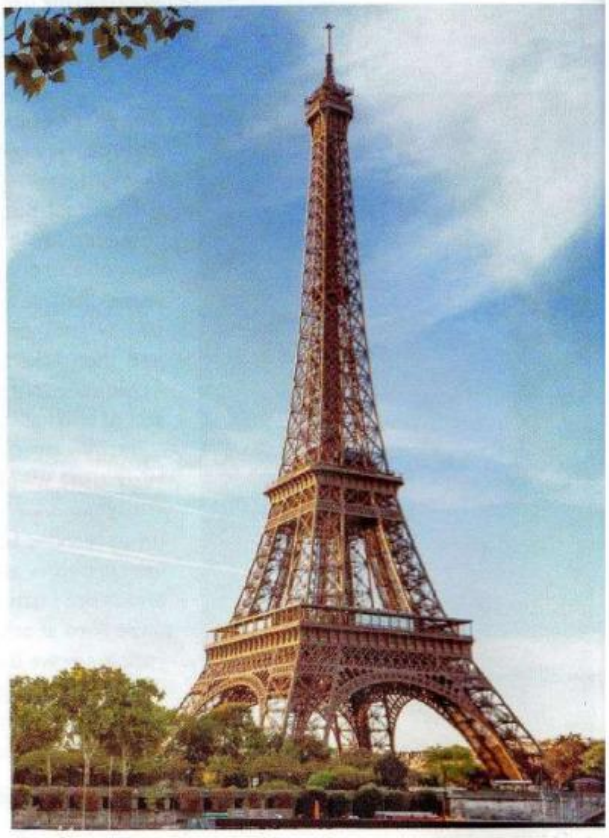
1 ✓ *Yes, he did.*
2 ✗ _____
3 ✓ _____
4 ✗ _____
5 ✓ _____
6 ✓ _____
7 ✗ _____

4 ●● Read the answers. Write questions about the parts in bold.

1 The party finished **at midnight**.
When did the party finish?
2 Sarah **went shopping** after school yesterday.
_____
3 They built this house **in 2012**.
_____
4 I lived **in Paris** in 2015.
_____
5 I emailed **John** this morning.
_____
6 Jenna watched **a comedy** on TV last night.
_____

5 ●●● Complete the dialogue with the Past Simple form of the verbs in brackets.

Liam: Hi! Are you a new student here?
Molly: Yes, very new!
Liam: When [1] *did you start* (you/start)?
Molly: My first lesson was three days ago. We moved here from France.
Liam: When [2] _____ (you/move)?
Molly: Last month. It's very different here.
Liam: I'm sure! Are you French? You haven't got an accent.
Molly: No, my dad had a job in France.
Liam: Really? What [3] _____ (he/do) in France?
Molly: He taught English at the university.
Liam: Interesting! [4] _____ (you/like) France?
Molly: Oh yes. We were in Paris – it's a fantastic city.
Liam: We went there on holiday. It's beautiful.
Molly: [5] _____ (you/enjoy) the food?
Liam: I loved it! So, where [6] _____ (you/live) in Paris? Was it near the Eiffel Tower? Oh I'm sorry – I always ask too many questions!
Molly: That's OK!



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7.5 LISTENING and VOCABULARY Childhood

I can identify specific detail in a radio interview and talk about my childhood.

1 Match pictures A–G with words 1–7.



1 [E] CD
2 [ ] ringtone
3 [ ] earphones
4 [ ] DVD
5 [ ] games console
6 [ ] MP3 player
7 [ ] tracks

2 Match the comments with words from Exercise 1.

1 I've got a new one. It's really loud and everyone on the train looked at me when it started this morning! *ringtone*

2 Nathan is always using it. His head and his fingers hurt but he still continues! _____

3 There are sixteen on his new album. My favourite is the last one. It's brilliant. _____

4 My dad's got hundreds of them – mainly music from the 80s and 90s. _____

5 In my bedroom I don't wear them but when I'm out, I do. _____

6 I haven't got any. I watch all my films online now. _____

7 You can get more music on it than on a phone and it's really small, so you can put it in your pocket. _____

3 16 Listen to an interview. Match the speakers (1–4) with the questions they are answering (a–h).

1 [ ] [ ] Beth
2 [ ] [ ] Becky
3 [ ] [ ] Charlie
4 [ ] [ ] Lisa

a Where did you meet your first best friend?
b Did you live near him or her?
c Were your hobbies and interests the same?
d Did you like the same music?
e What toys did you like?
f Did you like the same food?
g Did you dress in a similar way?
h Is he or she still your best friend today?


Beth


Becky


Charlie


Lisa

4 16 Listen again. Choose the correct option.

1 Beth and Eva met at *primary* / *secondary* school.
2 They had *the same* / *different* interests.
3 Gwen and Becky are *no longer* / *still* friends.
4 They *liked* / *didn't like* the same music.
5 Ben and Charlie *lived* / *didn't live* next to each other.
6 They wore *different* / *similar* clothes.
7 Lisa and Tina liked *boys'* / *girls'* toys.
8 They liked the *same* / *different* food.

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7.6 SPEAKING Agreeing and disagreeing

I can agree and disagree with statements.

1 Choose the correct option.

1 That's not *well* / *fair*!
2 It was a *hurt* / *pain* in the neck.

OUT of class

2 Match sentences a–b with phrases 1–2 from Exercise 1.

a ☐ We arrived first but the people at that table got their meal before us!
b ☐ The shop near our home was closed, so I cycled all the way into town to the supermarket.



3 Order the words to make phrases for agreeing and disagreeing.

1 agree / yes / I
Yes, I agree.
2 so / think / too / I
_____
3 but / agree / I / sorry / don't
_____
4 sure / not / I'm
_____
5 agree / don't / I
_____
6 right / that's
_____
7 right / maybe / you're
_____
8 disagree / but / sorry / I
_____
9 true / that's / perhaps
_____

4 Complete the dialogues with one or two words in each gap.

1 A: I think the correct answer is D.
B: Sorry but I *don't* agree.
2 A: That blue bag is the perfect present for Jan.
B: Maybe you're _____, but I prefer the red one.
3 A: I think it's a good idea to meet before the cinema.
B: I think _____ too.
4 A: We can get the bus. It stops right outside Diana's house.
B: Yes, _____ right.
5 A: Vegetarian food is very healthy.
B: Perhaps that's _____, but it's sometimes very boring.
6 A: Katy is the best student at Maths in the school.
B: I'm not _____. Benji Sanders is also really good.
7 A: The best track on the new album is *Clouds*.
B: Sorry but I _____. I think it's *She's in the Past*.

5 Complete the dialogue with sentences a–e.

Jo: This is the best holiday ever!
Liz: [1]c It's amazing! I'm glad we came here.
Jo: But it's really hot today. It's too hot to sit on the beach. It isn't good for us.
Liz: [2]___ But I still love sunbathing!
Jo: But we were on the beach yesterday and the day before. Let's go into town today.
Liz: [3]___ Let me think. No, I want to relax.
Jo: We can relax tomorrow! We can go shopping or visit the museum. It's a good way to spend an afternoon!
Liz: [4]___ That isn't a good idea. We can go shopping and visit museums when we're home!
Jo: [5]___ I agree with you. But this is a new country, a new town and a new museum! Come on!

a Yes, that's right.
b I'm not sure.
c I think so too.
d Sorry but I don't agree.
e Perhaps that's true.

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7.7 WRITING An email

I can write a personal email with news.

1 Read the email and tick the things Claire writes about.

1 ☑ a party
2 ☐ a present
3 ☐ a short holiday
4 ☐ the weather
5 ☐ activities on the holiday
6 ☐ food on holiday
7 ☐ a new pet

From: Claire
To: Mason

[1]*Hi* Mason,

[2]_____ are you? Did your birthday party [3]_____ OK? Sorry I was away!

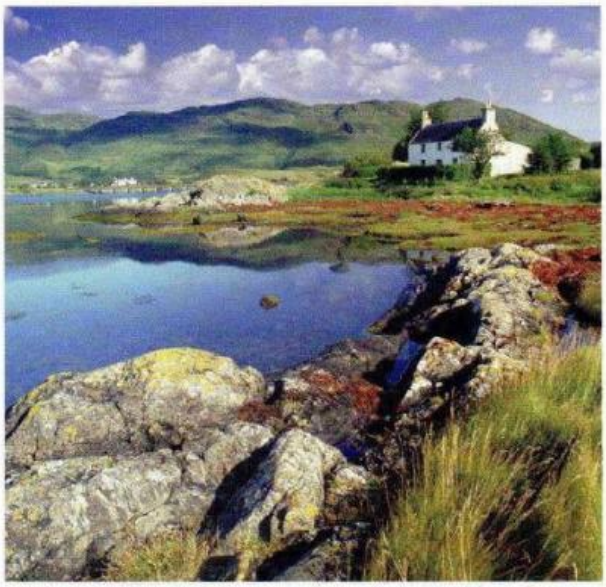
[4]_____ the weekend we stayed with my aunt and cousins in Scotland. They've got a great house by a lake. On Saturday we [5]_____ for a long walk with their dogs. [6]_____, on Sunday, we visited an art gallery with lots of old pictures of Scotland. It was really interesting.

[7]_____ what! I've got a new dog! When we got home last night, my dad took me to his friend's house. Their dog had puppies and they gave me one! He's so cute!

[8]_____ you soon!

Lots of [9]_____,

Claire



2 Complete the email with the words below.

at go guess hi how love see then went

3 Write the phrases below in the correct category.

~~After that we went to town.~~ Guess what!
Hi Katya! How are you? Kisses, Phone me!
Lots of love, Love and hugs, Write back soon!
Then we went round a museum. See you soon.
Did your test go OK? I stayed with my friend.

Greetings: _____
Ask for news: _____, _____
Give your news: *After that we went to town.*, _____, _____
Give some surprising news: _____
Endings: _____, _____, _____, _____, _____, _____

4 Read the writing task and the questions below. Make some notes.

Your friend was recently in a competition. Write an email to him/her asking about the competition. Give your own news and add something surprising or interesting.

What sort of competition?

What did you do last week?

What's your surprising news?

5 Write your email. Remember to do these things.

- Use Claire's email to help you.
- Start and end your email with appropriate phrases.
- Use the phrases for asking for and giving news in Exercise 3.

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