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Good memories

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Past tense

A Write the past tense of these verbs.

Verb	Past tense	Verb	Past tense
be	<u>was/were</u>	hide	_____
become	_____	laugh	_____
do	_____	lose	_____
email	_____	move	_____
get	_____	open	_____
have	_____	scream	_____

B Complete this paragraph. Use the past tense of each of the verbs in part A.

My best friend in school was Michael. He and I _____ in Mrs. Gilbert's third-grade class, and we _____ friends. We often _____ crazy things in class, but I don't think Mrs. Gilbert ever really _____ mad at us. For example, Michael _____ a pet lizard named Peanut. Sometimes he _____ it in Mrs. Gilbert's desk drawer. Later, when she _____ the drawer, she always _____ loudly, and the class _____. After two years, Michael's family _____ to another town. We _____ each other for a few years, but then we _____ contact. I often wonder what he's doing now.



2 Complete the questions in this conversation.

- Sarah:** Welcome to the building. My name's Sarah Walker.
- Benedito:** Hello. I'm Benedito Peres. It's nice to meet you.
- Sarah:** Nice to meet you, too. Are you from around here?
- Benedito:** No, I'm from Brazil.
- Sarah:** Oh, really? Were you born in Brazil?
- Benedito:** No, I wasn't born there, actually. I'm originally from Portugal.
- Sarah:** That's interesting. So, when _____ to Brazil?
- Benedito:** I moved to Brazil when I was in elementary school.
- Sarah:** Where _____?
- Benedito:** We lived in Recife. It's a beautiful city in northeast Brazil. Then I went to college.
- Sarah:** _____ to school in Recife?
- Benedito:** No, I went to school in São Paulo.
- Sarah:** And what _____?
- Benedito:** Oh, I studied engineering. But I'm here to go to graduate school.
- Sarah:** Great! When _____?
- Benedito:** I arrived last week. I start school in three days.
- Sarah:** Well, good luck. And sorry for all the questions!



3 Answer these questions. Match column A with column B.

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| 1. Where were you born? | a) I was born in Seoul, Korea. |
| 2. Did your family move when you were a child? | b) Yes, my favorite teacher was Miss Kim. |
| 3. Did you have a favorite teacher in elementary school? | c) No, we didn't move. |
| 4. What hobbies did you have when you were a kid? | d) I began to study English when I was six years old. |
| 5. When did you begin to study English? | e) I played tennis when I was a kid. |

4 Gael García Bernal

- A Scan the article about Gael García Bernal.
Where is he from?

What does he do?

Gael García Bernal was born in 1978 in Guadalajara, Mexico. As a child, he began to act, and when he was a teenager, he became a star in television soap operas. He decided to go to London to study acting when he was 19. While he was in London, Mexican director Alejandro González Iñárritu invited him to act in the film *Amores Perros*. When it was released in 2000, *Amores Perros* immediately made Gael García Bernal known to the world.

Gael later made many other successful films. With the Mexican actor Diego Luna, he co-starred in *Y tu mamá también* in 2001, a film about two upper-class Mexican teenagers. In 2002, he won the Ariel, Mexico's most important film award, for *El Crimen del Padre Amaro*, the story of a young priest in a small town. Two years later, he worked with the Brazilian director Walter Salles on *The Motorcycle Diaries*, the story of a young Ernesto "Che" Guevara's journey by motorcycle through South America. That same year, Gael worked with the Spanish director Pedro Almodóvar on *Bad Education*. In 2007, Gael directed his first film, *Déficit*, which was about people at a weekend party in Mexico.

As you can see, Gael García Bernal is an international star who works on films in different languages. One of Gael's more recent projects is *Mozart in the Jungle*, an American TV show mostly in English. Gael won a Golden Globe Award in 2016 for playing the lead role, the talented conductor Rodrigo.

Despite his busy career, Gael spends as much time as possible with his son Lázaro and his daughter Libertad. He also likes to sing and make music when he is not acting.



- B Check (✓) True or False. For statements that are false, **choose** the correct information.

	True	False
1. Gael García Bernal studied acting in Paris. _____	☐	☐
2. A Brazilian director directed the film that made him famous. _____	☐	☐
3. He won an award for his role in <i>El Crimen del Padre Amaro</i> . _____	☐	☐
4. He has never directed a film. _____	☐	☐
5. He plays a singer in <i>Mozart in the Jungle</i> . _____	☐	☐
6. Gael prefers not to work in foreign language films. _____	☐	☐

5 Choose the correct word or phrase.

1. I used to collect comic books (hobbies / scrapbooks / comic books) when I was a kid.
2. My favorite _____ (pet / hobby / place) was a cat called Felix.
3. We used to go to _____ (the playground / summer camp / school) for two weeks during our summer vacations. It was really fun.
4. There was a great _____ (amusement park / playground / beach) on my street. We used to go there every afternoon to play.

6 Look at these childhood pictures of Allie and her brother Robert. Complete the sentences using *used to*.



1. In the summer, Allie and Robert sometimes used to go to summer camp.



2. They also _____.
Their dog Bruno always used to follow them.



3. Allie _____ every weekend during summer vacation. She hardly ever goes now.



4. Robert _____.
Now they're worth a lot of money.



5. They _____.
They don't have any pets now.

7**Look at the answers. Write the questions using *used to*.**

1. A: What did you use to do in the summer?

B: We used to go to the beach.

2. A: _____

B: No, we didn't collect shells. We used to build sand castles.

3. A: _____

B: Yes, we did. We used to swim for hours. Then we played all kinds of sports.

4. A: Really? What _____

B: Well, we used to play beach volleyball with some other kids.

5. A: _____

B: No, we didn't. We used to win!

8**How have you changed in the last five years? Match column A with column B.**

1. What hobbies did you use to have five years ago?

a) Now I wear work clothes.

2. What hobbies do you have now?

b) I used to ride my bike.

3. What kind of music did you use to like then?

c) Now I swim.

4. What kind of music do you like now?

d) I used to wear casual clothes.

5. What kinds of clothes did you use to like to wear?

e) I used to like pop music.

6. What kinds of clothes do you like to wear now?

f) Now I like rock music.

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Complete the sentences. Use the past tense of the verbs given.

Paola: I'm an immigrant here. I was
 (be) born in Chile and _____
 (grow up) there. I _____ (come)
 here in 2011. I _____ (not be)
 very happy at first. Things
 _____ (be) difficult for me.
 I _____ (not speak) English, so
 I _____ (go) to a community
 college and _____ (study)
 English there. My English _____
 (get) better, and I _____ (find)
 this job. What about you?



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Choose the correct responses.

1. **A:** Are you from Toronto?

B: No, I'm originally from Morocco.

- No, I'm originally from Morocco.
- Neither am I.

2. **A:** Tell me a little about yourself.

B: _____

- Sure. Nice to meet you.
- What do you want to know?

3. **A:** How old were you when you moved here?

B: _____

- About 16.
- About 16 years ago.

4. **A:** Did you learn English here?

B: _____

- Yes, I was 10 years old.
- No, I studied it in Morocco.

5. **A:** By the way, I'm Lucy.

B: _____

- What's your name?
- Glad to meet you.