



Tense revision

1. Match the sentence endings in the box with the first half of each sentence below. Write the correct letter (A-H) in the box.

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| A. if you call out a technician to repair it. | 1. It will start to rain heavily |
| B. the telephone and the doorbell will ring together. | 2. If a bus finally arrives, |
| C. the electricity will go out ten minutes before it begins. | 3. If you are looking for your new blue sweater, |
| D. if you are waiting for a bus. | 4. You will open an e-mail with a virus |
| E. your gate will be the furthest away. | 5. Your television/computer will work perfectly |
| F. if you use your friend's new computer. | 6. If you organize a large dinner party, |
| G. it will be in the last drawer you open. | 7. If you get into the bath with a big book and a glass of wine, |
| H. it will not be the one you want. | 8. If you are late for your flight, |

2. Complete the article with the past form of the verbs in the box

WAS - WERE - BECAME - DIED - DIVORCED - ENJOYED - DIDN'T GO -
HAD - INTRODUCED - MET - LEARNED - WORKED - WROTE - WROTE.



AGATHA CHRISTIE - who was she?

Agatha Christie was born in England in 1890. She was an American father and an English mother. They were quite rich.

Agatha started to school, but she enjoyed reading and she wrote poems and short stories in notebooks. She also loved parties and dancing.

In 1914 she married her first husband, Archibald Christie. She learned about medicine and poison when she worked as a nurse during the First World War.

Her first detective novel was "The Mysterious Affair at Styles." In it, she introduced her readers to Hercule Poirot, the famous Belgian detective.

Agatha and Archibald divorced in 1928. Two years later, she met the archaeologist, Max Mallowan, in the Middle East. He became her second husband.

Agatha Christie wrote over 80 novels. She died in 1976.



3. Some of these sentences have a mistake. Find it and correct it. If the sentence hasn't got any mistake, write CORRECT.

a. I've arrived here three days ago.

I arrived

b. Did you have a good time in London?

c. They've started their course in September.

d. The other students have left half an hour ago.

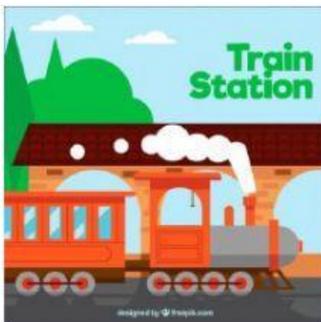
e. Did you live here all your life?

f. The school has opened in 1990.

4. Read about Marco and choose the correct verb form

Marco Santos is a chef. He _____ cooking when he _____ 15 years old. He _____ in a cookery school for the next three years, and then he _____ his first job in a restaurant in Lyons. Now 33, he _____ all over France, and he _____ to open a restaurant in London. He _____ of a name for it yet. There are other four restaurants but Marco is optimistic "My food _____ the best", he says. "In 1992 I _____ for the Italian President when he _____ to France, and he _____ me that it _____ the most delicious food outside Italy!"

5. Complete this text with the correct form of the verbs. Use the simple present, simple past, past continuous and present perfect.



Kevin Adams _____ (love) trains. He first _____ (see) one when he was _____ for years old and he _____ (think) it was great. He _____ (go) to different train stations every week, and _____ (write) the engine number of every train he sees. He _____ (do) this since he was eight. By the time he was fifteen, he _____ (collect) over ten thousand different engine numbers in various countries. Once, while he _____ (stand) in a station in Cheshire he _____ something very unusual. He _____ (wait) for over an hour for a train to go by when suddenly he _____ (see) a very old steam train coming down the track. It _____ (stop) at the station and, as it passed, Kevin noticed that all the passengers _____ (wear) old-fashion clothes. When he told the station guard about this, the poor man turned pale. He said that no steam train _____ (pass) through that station for years, and that the last one _____ (crash), killing everyone on board.