

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

- Which verb doubles the final consonant before the -ed ending?
- Which four verbs only add -d?
- 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	

Strangers on a train



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.



Glossary

property land and buildings



- 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?

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.

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b  12.5 Listen and check.



Simple Past

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	TO BE (ser/estar)		Regulars	Irregulars
+	(I, she, he, it) + Was (We, you, they) + Were		Subject + Verb <i>ed, d, ied</i>	Subject + Verb change (2nd column) <i>had - went - did - got</i>
-	(I she, he, it) Wasn't [was not] (We, you, they) Weren't [were not]		Subject + didn't + Verb (<u>base form</u>)	
?	WH* + Was (I, she, he, it) ? WH* + Were (you, we, they)?		WH* + Did + Subject + Verb...? (<u>base form</u>)	

Complete the story with the verbs in (parentheses) in the simple past ☐, ☐, or ☐.

Last summer my family and I went (go) to Colorado for a vacation. We ¹ (rent) a house in Glenwood Springs, in the western part of Colorado, about 150 miles from Denver. The weather ² (be) fantastic, hot and sunny during the day, but cold at night. We ³ (do) different things every day. Sometimes we ⁴ (go) to Vail or Aspen and ⁵ (visit) parks and art galleries. On other days we ⁶ (stay) in the house. It ⁷ (have) a swimming pool in the yard, so the children ⁸ (be) happy. One afternoon an old woman ⁹ (arrive) at the door.

"Good afternoon," she ¹⁰ (say). "I'm your neighbor. Are your children at home?"

"Yes," I ¹¹ (answer). "I think so. Why?"

"Because about an hour ago I ¹² (see) a small boy near town. I think he was your son."

I ¹³ (look) out of the window. My daughter ¹⁴ (be) in the swimming pool, but my son ¹⁵ (not be) there.

"Where ¹⁶ you (see) him?"

I ¹⁷ (ask). "18 you (talk) to him?"

"He was on the road to town, but I ¹⁹ (not speak) to him," the old woman ²⁰ (say).

"Come on," I ²¹ (tell) my husband. "We need to go to town."

The old woman ²² (wait) at the house with my daughter and we ²³ (go) to town.

My son ²⁴ (be) outside a café. He ²⁵ (have) a big ice-cream cone in his hand.

"Why ²⁶ you (leave) the house?" I asked him. "We ²⁷ (be) really worried."

"I ²⁸ (want) an ice-cream cone," he said.



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?

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Video Listening
Strangers on a train - Part 3



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?

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Video Listening
Strangers on a train - Part 4

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

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Video Listening

Strangers on a train - Part 5

