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SIMPLE PAST TENSE QUIZ

PRACTICE 1

Complete the sentences, put the verb into the correct form, positive or negative. (simple past tense; verb or nomina)

1. It was warm, so I _____ off my coat. (take)

2. The film wasn't very good. I _____ it very much. (not, enjoy)

3. I knew Sarah was very busy, so I _____ her. (not, disturb)

4. I _____ very tired, so I went to bed early. (be)

5. The bed _____ very uncomfortable. I slept very well. (be)

6. Sue wasn't hungry, so she _____ anything. (not, eat)

7. We went to Kate's house but she _____ at home. (not, be)

8. It was a funny situation but _____ nobody. (laugh)

9. The windows _____ open and a bird flew into the room. (be)

10. They _____ in a hurry, so they didn't have time to phone you. (be)

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Practice 2

Let's learn more about past tense from a different story. Complete the story with the words provided. Put the words into the correct form and label the story structures.

wove, come, believe, live, get, call, help, come, learn, change, ask, turn

The Legend of Black Sea

Once, there was an old man who ____ (1) on the shore of a beautiful sea. During the day, he would ____ (2) nets and go sailing to catch fish at night. In his old days, he just lived just with his dog named Boley and his evil black cat named Serzhina.

Whenever the man ____ (3) Boley, he would immediately ____ (4) and do everything he was asked to do. While Serzhina just ____ (5) whenever the old man called her for meals. Boley began to dislike Serzhina for she did not ____ (6) as much as he did. The old man, however, always told Boley that he ____ (7) in Serzhina's goodness and that she would ___ (8). One day, a disaster struck and the old man ___ (9) both Boley and Serzhina to help. When Serzhina did not help, the old man lost faith in Serzhina's goodness and threw her to the sea. The sea water ___ (10) black, and since that day the fish being caught has gotten less and less. The old man and Boley ___ (11) hungrier and hungrier.

Until one day, the old man met a seagull who told him a lesson. The old man finally ____ (12) that there is bad and good in everybody. However, when we choose to look for the goodness in everything, life will be filled with joy, just like nets filled with fish.

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