

Writing Practice: Narrative tenses

Choose the correct option.

Last month my girlfriend and I ¹ _____ (go) to Austria and ² _____ (try) snowboarding. We ³ _____ (both/ski) before, but snowboarding ⁴ _____ (be) a completely new sport for us.

We ⁵ _____ (book) some lessons before we ⁶ _____ (arrive), and on the first morning we ⁷ _____ (hire) our helmets, boots and boards. We ⁸ _____ (both/feel) quite nervous, but very excited as we ⁹ _____ (take) the lift up the mountain. The first lesson ¹⁰ _____ (be) really challenging and we ¹¹ _____ (fall over) A LOT! By the end of the first day, we ¹² _____ (be) exhausted.

The following morning, our legs ¹³ _____ (ache), but we ¹⁴ _____ (not give up). After three days of lessons, we ¹⁵ _____ (feel) more confident and we ¹⁶ _____ (really/start) to enjoy ourselves.

On the fourth day, we ¹⁷ _____ (try) a more difficult slope and I'm proud to say I ¹⁸ _____ (get) all the way to the bottom without falling over. By the end of the week, we ¹⁹ _____ (both/fall) in love with snowboarding and we ²⁰ _____ (not want) to go home.