

SIMPLE PAST: A BRIEF HISTORY OF VIDEO GAMES

1- Match the dates with the facts. Some of the dates refer to more than one event.

- a 1958 Atari released a video game console with cartridges.
- b 1972 William A. Higinbotham created Tennis for Two.
- c 1977 The first succesful arcade game came out.

2- Use the simple past to complete the information about some popular gadgets in the 1980's

a come out
generate



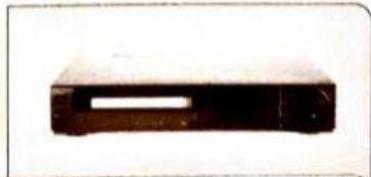
The Polaroid® instant camera _____ a film image one minute after the picture was taken. The first model _____ at the end of 1948.

b become
grow
have



Boomboxes _____ in popularity in the 1980s. They _____ a radio, a cassette and/or CD player, two large loudspeakers and a handle. They _____ a status symbol – the more extravagant your audio equipment, the more popular you were!

c be
develop
play
record



VCRs – or video cassette recorders – _____ devices that _____ back tapes and _____ video from television. JVC, Panasonic and Sony _____ them in the 1970s, but sales only boomed in the 1980s.