

a Complete the sentences with a regular verb in the past simple, first in the positive and then in the negative.

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1 Yesterday I missed my bus, but I didn't miss my train.
4 My sister watched the film with me, but she missed the football match.
5 The secretary prepared a table for lunch, but she drove a taxi.
6 I downloaded some music onto my laptop, but I didn't download any films.
7 The shop assistant closed last Saturday, but she opened on Sunday.
8 My boyfriend played rugby at school, but he didn't play basketball.

National Portrait Gallery The National Portrait Gallery has a collection of portraits of famous British men and women, from the 15th century to the present day. The collection is made up of paintings and photographs. The National Portrait Gallery is near Trafalgar Square, five minutes from the National Gallery, London's most important art gallery. It's open daily and admission is free.



Read the following information and answer these questions:

- 1 Where is it?
- 2 What can you see there?
- 3 When is it open?
- 4 How much does it cost?

HELP: Using the Vocabulary

3 READING

a Look at these more pictures from the National Portrait Gallery. Do you know who the people are or see any similarities?



WIVES: Esposas

AGE: Edad

PAIR: Pareja

ART: Arte

BETWEEN: Entre

LIFETIME: Toda la vida

SUPERSTAR: Estrella

HALF: Media

GRANDSON: Nieto

PORTRAIT: Retrato

SELF-PORTRAIT: Auto-retrato

HOWEVER: Sin embargo

ROLE: Rol

- 1 Henry VIII was born in 1491. He was King of England from 1509 to 1547. He was famous for separating the Church of England from the Roman Catholic Church, and for his six wives when he was young, as in this picture, he was very strong and good-looking. He was an excellent sportsman, and was also a good musician and poet. However, in his old age he was very fat and always in pain.
- 2 The Brontë sisters, Charlotte, Emily, and Anne, were born between 1816 and 1820 in a small village in the north of England. They were all writers, but only Charlotte, with her novel *Jane Eyre*, was famous worldwide. Their brother Branwell, the painter of this portrait, was originally in the picture between Emily and Charlotte. He was happy with his self-portrait and now the painting shows only the three sisters.
- 3 Helena Bonham Carter, the actress, was born in London in 1966. Her mother is half Spanish and her father, who died in 2004, was the grandson of Herbert Asquith, the British Prime Minister from 1908 to 1916. She is famous for her roles in *Harry Potter* and *Aladdin*, and her other roles include *The Red Queen* in *Alice in Wonderland*, *Bellatrix Lestrange* in the *Harry Potter* films, and *Queen Elizabeth* in *The King's Speech*. She has two children with her partner Tim Burton, a film director.

Read the texts and answer these questions:

- 1 How long was Henry VIII King of England?
- 2 What was he good at when he was a young man?
- 3 Were the Brontë sisters famous when they were alive?
- 4 Why isn't their brother in the picture?
- 5 Who was Helena Bonham Carter's great grandfather?
- 6 What was her first famous film?



Charles Spencer, Prince of Wales, has three daughters: 18-year-old Kitty, and 16-year-old Sophie and 14-year-old Eliza and Amelia. They live in Kensington, a large country house, about 85 miles [136 kilometers] from London. One of the sisters and her friend wanted to go to a football match in London. It was a Premier League match between Chelsea and Liverpool. They called a taxi to take them to London and back. The taxi arrived and the girls got in. They sat in the back of the car. The girls relaxed in the back of the car. They probably chatted, listened to music on their iPods, and texted their friends. They were in the car for about two hours. Two hours later the taxi stopped. They looked out of the window. It was a street with pretty houses. The girl was a bit surprised, and they asked the taxi driver where they were. In a grumpy voice, he said, 'Where did you want to go?'



Read the text and answer the following questions:

- 1 Who is Charles Spencer?
- 2 How many daughters does he have?
- 3 Where do they live?
- 4 How far from London is it?
- 5 Where did the sisters and her friend want to go?
- 6 Why did the want to go there?
- 7 What did they call to take them?
- 8 Did the girls talk to the taxi driver?
- 9 When did they arrive?
- 10 Where did the taxi take them?

3 Read the following biography of Adele and choose the right verb. (20 marks)

Adele is an English pop singer and songwriter. Her full name is Adele Laurie Blue Adkins. She (1) was born / were born) on May 5, 1988 in Tottenham, London, England. She (2) have / had) a soulful and emotive voice. Her beautiful songs (3) make / made) her one of the most popular performers of her generation. After she (4) has / had) a throat surgery she (5) perform / performed) at the 2012 Grammy Awards ceremony. She (6) (was / won) six Grammy trophies and she also (7) receive / received) two Brit Awards (the British equivalent of the Grammys). She (8) present / presented) her album *Live at the Royal Albert Hall* in 2011 and she (9) obtain / obtained) an Academy Award for the theme song of the James Bond movie *Skyfall* (2012). Later that year she was named Member of the Order of the British Empire (MBE). Her fans (10) was / were) worried about her when she recently lost a lot of weight.