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Unit 2: PERSONAL EXPERIENCES

Language Focus

1. Use the correct present tense forms of the verbs in the brackets in the story below. The first one has been done for you as an example.

The story is about a girl called Little Red Riding Hood who (0. live) **lives** with her mother. Little Red Riding Hood's grandmother (1. invite) _____ her to her cottage, so one fine day she (2. set) _____ off to visit her. The little girl (3. get) _____ ready, (4. wave) _____ goodbye to her mother and (5. promise) _____ to be careful. On her arm she (6. carry) _____ a basket which (7. contain) _____ a cake her mother (8. bake) _____ specially. It (9. be) _____ a lovely spring morning, the sun (10. shine) _____ and the birds (11. sing) _____ feeling happy that the winter (12. be) _____ over.

Exercise 2. Complete the sentences by putting the verbs into the past simple or past progressive.

1. He _____ his arm when he _____ football. (break, play)
2. Julia _____ her first novel when she _____ 19 years old. (write, be)
3. I _____ on the computer when the fire _____ out. (work, break)
4. When it _____ to rain, they _____ through the forest. (start, walk)
5. He _____ us about his marriage when we _____ afternoon tea. (tell, have)
6. Sorry, I _____ to you. I _____ about something else. (not listen, think)

8. Mary _____ her glasses at the time, so she _____ what kind of car the man _____. (not wear, not notice, drive)

Exercise 3. Write the sentences, putting the verbs in each sentence into the past simple or the past perfect.

1. They _____ (eat) everything by the time I _____ (arrive) at the party.

2. When I _____ (find) my purse, someone _____ (take) the money out of it.

3. By the time I _____ (get) into town, the shops _____ (close).

4. When they _____ (get) to the station, the train _____ (leave).

5. By the time you _____ (get) her letter, she _____ (arrive) in Paris.

6. The police _____ (pay) no attention to Clare's complaint because she _____ (phone) them so many times before.

7. I _____ (go) to the post office to ask about my package, but they _____ (say) that it _____ (not arrive) yet.

8. When I _____ (look) at the new dress for half an hour, I _____ (ask) how much it _____ (cost).