

**Past Simple, Past
Continuous, Past Perfect**

2 Complete the text with the correct past simple, past continuous or past perfect form or the verbs in brackets.

In 2010, a British adventurer 1 _____ (become) the first person to walk the entire length of the Amazon after a 6,000-mile trek. When he finally 2 _____ (reach) the finish, he 3 _____ (walk) for nearly two-and-a-half years.

Ex-army officer Ed Stafford, 34, 4 _____ (arrive) at the finishing point, the mouth of the river in Brazil, 859 days after he 5 _____ (set off) from its source in Peru. He 6 _____ (begin) the epic journey with walking partner Luke Collyer, 37, an outdoor activities instructor. But three months after they 7 _____ (set off) on their journey, the pair 8 _____ (fall out) after an argument and Collyer 9 _____ (return) to the UK.

Along the way Stafford 10 _____ (encounter) poisonous snakes, scorpions, electric eels and piranhas. But Stafford's scariest moment was at the hands of local tribesmen. One day, Stafford 11 _____ (approach) a small village when five or six locals suddenly 12 _____ (start) running towards him with machetes, guns, and bows and arrows. The tribesmen 13 _____ (capture) Stafford, but they 14 _____ (allow) him to leave soon after. By the end of the trip, Stafford 15 _____ (endure) hundreds of wasp stings and 16 _____ (suffer) an estimated 50,000 mosquito bites.