Reading comprehension

The History of 911

911 was born as 999 in the UK. It was chosen because it was almost impossible to dial it by mistake on old pulse-dial phones. The number 911 was designated in the 1950s in Canada, and years later in the US by the fire departments to ensure public safety. Firefighters didn't want people to call different numbers for different emergencies. They wanted to give a centralized public health service. They chose 911 because it was easy to remember, easy to dial, and had never been used.



The number 911 is not the emergency number around the world. In Europe, you must dial 112, in China and Hong Kong 999, in Australia 000, in New Zealand 111, in Bolivia 118, and in Brazil 192. In many other countries, there are different emergency numbers.

In summary, there is a centralized number to handle emergencies in every country. Therefore, if you travel to another country, you should ask for what number to dial in an emergency since that information since it can save your life.

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Read the article and answer these questions

a. why firefighter choose the 911?

b. how and where was born the 911 ?

c. What number are you dial in Bolivia for an emergency?

d. is the 911 a number for emergency around the world?

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COMPLETE THE SENTENCES WITH INFORMATION FROM THE TEXT ABOVE.

a. To know the emergency number of different countries is important

b. To have an emergency centralized number is important because

c. if you travel to another country, you should

COMPLETE the table WITH THE CORRECT FORM OF THE VERBS

Verbs	Simple past	Past participle	Meaning
Example: Travel	Travelled	Travelled	Viajar
		Known	
	Had		
Dial			
Ensure			
	Choose		
		Driven	
Want			
Call			
		Gone	
	told		

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