

OUR TRIP 'DOWN UNDER'

Put the verbs in the brackets into Past Simple (all verbs are regular)

My mum _____ (love) Australia. She _____ (adore) anything connected to Australia. Kangaroos, koala bears, Uluru, sun, sea and surfing, she _____ (love) all that. She even _____ (support) the Aussie cricket team and we are British! She also _____ (like) to watch Australian soaps: 'Neighbours', 'Home and Away', 'the Young Doctors'. She _____ (dream) to go and visit the country and my dad _____ (agree). My sister Ginny and I were



also ready to go: I must admit, I like Australia, too! We _____ (save) up for three years for our trip and finally, last summer, we _____ (travel). Luckily, that was before the coronavirus pandemic! We _____ (hurry) to Sydney and _____ (stop) in the town centre in a nice hotel. We _____ (stay) there for five days. We _____ (look) at the Opera



House of course, but we didn't go to an opera. We had a trip out to see Uluru. It was magnificent, a brilliant sight. We _____ (want) to see some of the wildlife, so we _____ (book) a trip to Edith Falls National Park. The scenery was wonderful and it was great to see koala bears! Finally, we _____ (visit) Northern Queensland and _____ (enjoy) some time at a fantastic beach. We didn't surf, but we _____ (jump) into the sea from the rock. It was brilliant. We _____ (notice) the people were very friendly; everyone _____ (greet) us with a 'G'day' and

the food was really delicious. My mum was so happy! Now, she wants to go and live there, but my dad says 'No!' - well, at least for the time being!

By Lucy from Coventry, UK

Say if the following sentences are TRUE or FALSE:

1. ___ Lucy's mum hates Australia and things to do with Australia.
2. ___ Lucy and her family are British.
3. ___ Lucy and her sister Ginny didn't want to go to Australia.
4. ___ They were in Australia before the pandemic.
5. ___ They visited an opera.
6. ___ They were in a national park and saw some koala bears.
7. ___ When they were at the beach, they went surfing.
8. ___ They all think that the Australians were very friendly.

Write about your trip you liked most of all (5-8 sentences). Use Past Simple.

Circle the correct answer. Read carefully all the answers before you choose.

1. No, I _____ the cake yesterday because it was too late.

- a) ate b) didn't eat c) not ate d) didn't ate

2. _____ you _____ the pills my mom asked you?

- a) Did / bought b) were / buy c) - / bought d) Did / buy

3. She was feeling bad, so she _____ to the doctor

- a) go b) did went c) went d) goed

4. They _____ her grandmother last weekend.

- a) visitd b) visited c) did visit d) visit

5. Don't worry, you _____ my phone. It wasn't a big smack.

- a) didn't break b) didn't broke c) broken d) not broke

6. The plane _____ with some problems, but fortunately everyone is fine.

- a) arrive b) arrived c) arrove d) arrived

7. _____ he _____ that about me?

- a) did / said b) say / did c) did / say d) - / said

5 Circle the correct words.

- 0** We **did walk** / **walked** to town yesterday.
- 1** I **didn't study** / **studied not** last weekend.
- 2** My mum **shouted** / **shouting** at our dog yesterday evening.
- 3** My friends **not followed** / **didn't follow** me to the river.
- 4** Ben **watch** / **watched** TV for three hours last weekend.
- 5** You **didn't phone** / **phoned not** your friend last night.