

Past tenses practice

Put the right form of the verb in brackets:

- 1) I _____ (buy) this car in January.
- 2) I had _____ (finish) high school when the Great Depression _____ (strike) the country.
- 3) We _____ (take) a walk in the park when a heavy thunderstorm suddenly _____ (break) out.
- 4) When I finally _____ (wake) up, the clock radio _____ (blare) for a good couple of hours.
- 5) Butch _____ (sniff) the plate and _____ (woof). He _____ (tremble) with anticipation.
- 6) I _____ (buy) a diamond ring for my future wife yesterday.
- 7) I _____ (wait) for half an hour when she finally _____ (arrive).
- 8) She _____ (already, leave) when I _____ (come).
- 9) I _____ (talk) on the phone when she _____ (run) into the room.
- 10) I _____ (be) at work yesterday.
- 11) Her hair _____ (be) wet, she _____ (swim).
- 12) I _____ (eat) frogs when I _____ (be) in France.
- 13) He _____ (repair) the car during the whole week before he _____ (decide) to ask me to help him.
- 14) I _____ (do) homework at 5 o'clock yesterday.
- 15) While I _____ (write) a letter, my father was looking through the newspaper.
- 16) The Jurassic period _____ (last) about 62 million years.
- 17) I _____ (not, know) who he _____ (be). I _____ (see) him before.
- 18) He _____ (write) the letter, _____ (put) it in the envelope, _____ (leave) it on the table and _____ (go) out.
- 19) The house _____ (be) dirty. They _____ (clean) it for weeks.
- 20) He _____ (know) that she _____ (work) in this company for five years.