SIMPLE PAST TENSE EXERCISES

Exercise 1: Conjugate verbs in brackets in the single past tense to complete the story of Snow White:

Snow White was the daughter of a beautiful queen, who died when the girl (be)[1] _____ young. Her father (marry) [2]_____ again, but the girl's stepmother was very jealous of her because she was so beautiful. The evil queen (order) [3]_____ a hunter to kill Snow White but he couldn't do it because she was so lovely. He (chase) [4]_____ her away instead, and she (take) [5]_____ refuge with seven dwarfs in their house in the forest. She (live) [6]_____ with the dwarfs and took care of them and they (love) [7]_____ her dearly. Then one day the talking mirror (tell) [8]_____ the evil queen that Snow White was still alive. She (change) [9]_____ herself into a witch and (make) [10]_____ a poisoned apple. She (go) [11]_____ to the dwarfs' house disguised as an old woman and tempted Snow White to eat the poisoned apple, which (put) [12]_____ her into an everlasting sleep. Finally, a prince (find) [13]_____ her in the glass coffin where the dwarfs had put her and woke her up with a kiss. Snow White and the prince (be) [14]_____ married and lived happily ever after.

Exercise 2: Conjugate the verbs in brackets correctly

1. It was warm, so I *took* off my coat. (take).
2. The film wasn't very goor. I *didn't enjoy* it very much. (enjoy)
3. I knew Sarah was very busy, so I _____ her (disturb)
4. I was very tired, so I _____ the party early. (leave)
5. The bed was very uncomfortable. I _____ very well (sleep)
6. The window was open and a bird _____ into the room (fly)
7. The hotel wasn't very expensive. It _____ very much (cost)
8. I was in a hurry, so I _____ time to phone you (have).
9. It was hard carrying the bags. They _____ very heavy. (be)

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