

# DESCRIBING PAST EVENTS

a) Think about how the sentences below might be continued. Then, complete each sentence with your own ideas using the PAST PERFECT SIMPLE or PAST PERFECT PROGRESSIVE.

1. I couldn't find the restaurant because .....

2. I failed the English exam because .....

3. I argued with my girlfriend because .....

4. I couldn't eat the steak because .....

5. I didn't wake up on-time because .....

B) Read these sentences and complete them with the PAST SIMPLE, the PAST PERFECT SIMPLE or the PAST PERFECT PROGRESSIVE of the verbs in parentheses.

1. Roger \_\_\_\_\_ (arrive) late at the train station. By the time he \_\_\_\_\_ (reach) the platform, the train \_\_\_\_\_ (leave).
2. Alison \_\_\_\_\_ (talk) on the phone with her sister for three hours by the time she \_\_\_\_\_ (hang) up. She \_\_\_\_\_ (not speak) to her for a long time and she \_\_\_\_\_ (have) lots of news to tell her.
3. By the time the sun \_\_\_\_\_ (go) down, we \_\_\_\_\_ (play) tennis for four hours. We \_\_\_\_\_ (be) exhausted.