

Past simple affirmative: irregular verbs

5 Correct the mistakes in bold in the sentences.

- 1 I **haved** a bad cold. had
- 2 The train **leaft** at 3.30. left
- 3 They **goed** to drama club with me. went
- 4 Dad **weared** a uniform to work. wore
- 5 I **singed** in a band. sang
- 6 My grandparents **comed** to stay. came

6 Put the verbs in brackets in 1–5 into the past simple.

Then match 1–5 to sentence endings a–e.

- 1 We (see)
- 2 My mum (write)
- 3 In the noughties, many people (think)
- 4 DVDs (become)
- 5 When my mum was little, my grandmother (make)

- a clothes for her.
- b her first email in 1995.
- c a new play at the theatre last weekend.
- d popular in the late 1990s.
- e that mobile phones with cameras were very expensive.

7 Complete the text with the past simple affirmative form of the correct verbs in brackets.

Perhaps the most important event in human history in recent years is the invention of the internet. In the mid 1960s, some computers ¹ used (stop / use) telephone lines to communicate. Computer engineers ² (want / talk) better communication and so they ³ (start / come) to study new ways of linking computers. In 1969, ARPANET, an early version of the internet, ⁴ (connect / say) the computers of four American universities.

In 1971, Ray Tomlinson ⁵ (write / hear) a computer programme for sending emails.

At the end of the 1970s, computers ⁶ (close / arrive) in shops and by the early 1980s, computers ⁷ (become / appear) in some schools for students to use. They were still very expensive and most weren't linked.

A big change ⁸ (use / come) in 1989 when Tim Berners-Lee ⁹ (think / find) of the World Wide Web – a system that every computer could use to communicate.

In the 1990s, sending emails and surfing the net ¹⁰ (become / want) part of everyday life.