

8A GRAMMAR

past simple: regular and irregular verbs

Complete the conversation with the past tense of the verb in the brackets. Be careful with **+**, **-** and **?**.

A new life

Inspector Granger OK, Mr Thomas. Please just relax and tell me the problem.

Mr Thomas It's my wife. She _____ (go) out yesterday evening. And she _____ (not come) back.

Inspector Granger When _____ (you/see) your wife for the last time?

Mr Thomas Yesterday evening, at about nine thirty.

Inspector Granger Tell me what happened yesterday. _____ (you/do) anything unusual?

Mr Thomas No, it _____ (be) just a normal day. We _____ (wake up) at seven. I _____ (have) breakfast. Then I _____ (drive) to work. My wife _____ (not have) breakfast. In the morning I think she _____ (go) shopping. She _____ (come) home at lunchtime. I don't know what she _____ (do) in the afternoon. She probably _____ (make) the dinner.

Inspector Granger When _____ (you/come) home?

Mr Thomas I _____ (arrive) home at about seven thirty. I _____ (sit) down and _____ (read) the newspaper, and _____ (check) my emails. We _____ (have) dinner at about eight. After dinner, I _____ (watch) TV. I _____ (go to sleep) in my chair.

Inspector Granger _____ (you/speak) to your wife at all? What _____ (she / say) to you?

Mr Thomas We _____ (not talk) during dinner. After dinner she _____ (say), 'This isn't a life. I need to go out.' She _____ (call) a taxi. I _____ (hear) the taxi about fifteen minutes later. She _____ (take) her coat and _____ (close) the door. She _____ (not say) goodbye.

Inspector Granger I see, Sir. I think I know why she _____ (leave).