5 Complete the text using the correct past simple form of the verbs in brackets.

The man behind the World Wide Web Tim Berners-Lee ____ (be) born in London, England, on June 8th 1955. He ____ (study) physics at Oxford University, where he ____ (build) his first computer. He____ (have) several jobs before he ____ (become) an independent consultant. During this time he ____ (spend) six months in Geneva, Switzerland, where he ____ (write) his first program for storing information. He ____ (call) the program 'Enquire', but he ____ (not publish) it. In 1990, he ____ (start) work on the World Wide Web, which ____ (make) its first appearance on the Internet in 1991.

In 1994, Tim ____ (create) the World Wide Web Consortium at the Massachusetts Institute of Technology. Today, this consortium coordinates web development worldwide.

6 Complete the sentences using the comparative or superlative form of the adjectives in brackets

1 Let's go to the meeting room. It's ____ (quiet) than in my office.

2 Our company was ____ (profitable) last year than this year.

3 We have seven factories: the ____ (new) one is in Mexico.

4 My hotel was ____ (near) to the company than the last hotel I stayed in.

5 Our ____ (popular) product is the VS52.0.

6 I think our new brochure looks ____ (professional) than the last one.

7 Last year was the ____ (bad) in our company's history.

8 Germany is the ____ (big) country in the EU.

9 Our new Sales Manager is ____ (good) than the one we had before.

7 A manager is talking about his department. Complete the text with the present perfect form of the verbs in brackets

This month (not / be) ____ a very good one for me. Three more members of my team (tell) ____ me that they are leaving the company. Two of them (not / find) ____ another job, but they say that the pressure of work (become) ____ too much for them. It's true that there (be) ____ a big increase in their work this year because two other customer service assistants (leave) ____ the department and we (not / recruit) ____ anybody to replace them. I (ask) ____ my boss several times if we can employ some new people for the team, but each time he (say) ____ that we need to reduce our salary costs. But I know we (lose) ____ some business because we (not / have) ____ enough people to deal with customer calls. The situation can't continue like this. I (not / made) ____ a final decision on this, but I'm thinking of leaving the company myself.

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