

**4 B** Complete Alec's story with the simple past tense form of the verbs.  
Pay attention to spelling.

**Help from a Stranger**

There was a girl named Alyssa in my class. I (1. like)  \_\_\_\_\_  
her a lot. I was shy, but one day I (2. invite)  \_\_\_\_\_ her to  
have dinner with me the next weekend at a nice restaurant.

After dessert, I (3. ask)  \_\_\_\_\_ our friendly waiter for the  
check. I (4. offer)  \_\_\_\_\_ to pay. I (5. look)

\_\_\_\_\_ in my wallet. I had only ten dollars. I (6. not have)

\_\_\_\_\_ enough money!

I went to the men's room. I (7. try)  \_\_\_\_\_ to call my

roommate. I (8. wait)  \_\_\_\_\_, but he (9. not answer)

\_\_\_\_\_ the phone. I left a message, and (10. explain)

\_\_\_\_\_ the situation.

Just then, the bathroom door (11. open)  \_\_\_\_\_. It was my

waiter. He (12. hand)  \_\_\_\_\_ me \$20. I (13. promise)

\_\_\_\_\_ to pay him back. He (14. reply)  \_\_\_\_\_,

"Don't worry about it."

