

A Circle the correct word or phrase.

- 1 I **saw** / **was seeing** Maria for the first time at Ray's birthday party.
- 2 Richard **watched** / **was watching** TV when the phone rang.
- 3 When we were on holiday, we **went** / **were going** to the café almost every day.
- 4 Denise **practised** / **was practising** the song every day until she could sing it perfectly.
- 5 The phone was engaged when I called. Who **did you talk** / **were you talking** to?
- 6 Mr Connors **owned** / **was owning** two houses and a villa in the south of France.
- 7 I **did** / **was doing** my homework as soon as I got home from school.
- 8 A car came round the corner and I **jumped** / **was jumping** out of the way.
- 9 When my dad met my mum, he **worked** / **was working** as a bus driver.
- 10 I **got** / **was getting** up at six o'clock every morning last week!
- 11 My cousin and I **played** / **were playing** on the computer when there was a power cut.
- 12 No, that's not right. I **did pass** / **was passing** the test. I got a B.

B Complete using the correct form of the verb in brackets.

- 1 Where (you / go) when I saw you on the bus last night?
- 2 (you / enjoy) the film?
- 3 When we shared a room, Zoë (always / take) my things. It was so annoying!
- 4 When I went to get the tickets, I realised I (not / have) any money.
- 5 When I was young, we (go) to France every year on holiday.
- 6 Elvis (become) famous for the song *Blue Suede Shoes*.
- 7 When you rang last night, I (work) in the garden so I didn't hear the phone.
- 8 I (hear) from Davina last night. She says hello.
- 9 The old man (appear) to be very tired and he slowly sat down.
- 10 We (throw) a surprise party for my brother last Saturday.

C Circle the correct word or phrase.

Dear Lisa,

Thanks for your letter. I (1) **just left** / **had just left** for school when I saw the postman and he (2) **gave** / **had given** it to me. It was really funny! I (3) **read** / **had read** it during maths and it (4) **made** / **had made** me laugh. I almost (5) **got** / **had got** in trouble!

Anyway, I'm excited because I (6) **had** / **had had** my first judo lesson yesterday. I (7) **was** / **had been** late for the lesson because when I (8) **got** / **had got** there, I suddenly realised I (9) **left** / **had left** my judo suit at home! So I (10) **went** / **had gone** all the way home and when I (11) **got** / **had got** back, the lesson (12) **already began** / **had already begun**. The instructor was really nice, though, and I (13) **learned** / **had learned** how to do some basic throws. Can't wait till next time!

What about you and your taekwondo? The last time I (14) **spoke** / **had spoken** to you, you (15) **talked** / **had talked** about giving it up. What (16) **did you decide** / **had you decided**? I think that's all for now. My mum and I are going shopping shortly, so I'd better post this. Speak to you soon.

Love,

Charlotte

D Complete using the past perfect simple or past perfect continuous of the verbs in the box. You may need to use a negative form.

eat • stay • wait • know • write • see • listen • get • have • run

- 1 By the time he died, Beethoven nine symphonies.
- 2 We chose the Hotel Rio because we there before.
- 3 We for over an hour when the train finally arrived.
- 4 I was completely out of breath because I
- 5 I the film before, so I knew how it ended.
- 6 When he got married, I Chris for about two years.
- 7 Johnson ready for the race for six months and finally the big moment came.
- 8 Vivian computer lessons for very long so she wasn't sure how to use the Internet.
- 9 Holly oysters before, so she wasn't sure what to do with them.
- 10 I to my new CD for a few minutes when the CD player started making a funny noise.

E Choose the correct answer.

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| <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1 My brother and I swimming almost every day last summer.
A went
B had been going
C were going
D had gone 2 We when someone knocked at the door.
A talked
B had talked
C were talking
D were talked 3 When the robbery happened, the security guard !
A slept
B was sleeping
C had slept
D was slept 4 Jack chess before so I showed him what to do.
A hadn't been playing
B didn't play
C wasn't playing
D hadn't played | <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 5 I wasn't sure how Belinda would react because I her long.
A didn't know
B wasn't knowing
C hadn't been knowing
D hadn't known 6 Ian at the factory long when he was made a manager.
A hadn't been working
B wasn't working
C didn't work
D wasn't worked 7 I wanted to say goodbye to Jerry, but he
A was already left
B already left
C had already been leaving
D had already left 8 When we got to the airport, I realised I my passport at home!
A was left
B had left
C left
D had been leaving |
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G Write *on, in* or *at* in each gap.

- 1 I'll be 100 years old the year 2095!
- 2 Sasha's not going to have a party her birthday this year.
- 3 See you August!
- 4 See you Tuesday!
- 5 See you eight o'clock!
- 6 See you the morning!
- 7 See you a couple of hours!
- 8 It's difficult to sleep night the summer because of the heat.
- 9 My grandfather left home the age of fourteen!
- 10 We got there just time for the movie.
- 11 He's never late, and he's never early; he always arrives right time.
- 12 My birthday's April 1st.

H Each of the words in bold is incorrect. Rewrite them correctly.

- 1 My Australian cousins are coming **in** Greece next month!
- 2 Turn left **on** the post office, then go straight on.
- 3 There weren't any chairs, so we had to sit **at** the floor.
- 4 The TV's **on** the corner of the room.
- 5 There's a photo of the author **at** the back cover of the book.
- 6 We should arrive **at** Paris at six in the morning.
- 7 Could you go out **from** the room for a moment, please?
- 8 Walk **in** the station, but turn left a couple of blocks before you get there.
- 9 I'll meet you **in** the corner of your street.
- 10 There should be a broom **on** the back of the cupboard, somewhere.
- 11 They should arrive **in** the airport in about an hour.
- 12 The CD should be next **from** the CD player.

I Write one word in each gap.

Defining the Age

Ages, eras and wars will always be defined (1) they are over, or at least well after they (2) started. (3) the year 1914, for example, no one said: 'Tomorrow I'm going (4) go and fight in the First World War.' Why not? Because it wasn't generally called the First World War until the Second World War had started. Similarly, no one ever said: 'Next year (5) be the start of the Industrial Revolution.' The era now known as the Industrial Revolution only started being called that once it was well under way.

(6) the time we are old, we will all (7) experienced enormous technological advances. We might even (8) walking round with computer chips implanted in our bodies, or perhaps computer chip technology will have (9) replaced by even more advanced technology. There's talk (10) the moment that human skin itself might make an excellent electronic circuit board. We can all make predictions, but nobody knows for sure. And nobody knows what the era we will live in (11) the near future will be called by future historians. If we already live in the Computer Age or the Information Age as some people suggest, the present-day era (12) be referred to by future historians, then who knows what era we're just (13) the beginning of right now?