Complete spaces with the verb in past.

Curie´s Biography



Maria Skłodowska _____(be) Born on 7 November 1867 in Warsaw, Poland, she_____(be) the youngest of five children of poor school teachers. After her mother_____(die) and her father could no longer support her she_____(become) a governess, reading and studying in her own time to quench her thirst for knowledge. She never_____(lose) this passion.

To become a teacher – the only alternative which would allow her to be independent – _____(be) never a possibility because a lack of money prevented her from a formal higher education. However, when her sister_____(offer) her lodgings in Paris with a view to going to university, she_____(grasp) the opportunity and moved to France in 1891.

She immediately_____(enter) Sorbonne University in Paris where she_____(read) physics and mathematics – she_____(have) naturally discovered a love of the subjects through her insatiable appetite for learning.

It was in Paris, in 1894, that she_____ (meet) Pierre Curie – a scientist working in the city – and who she_____ (marry) a year later. It_____(be) also around this time that she_____ (adopt) the French spelling of her name – Marie. It is of course this version of her name that our charity uses, along with our hospices, Marie Curie Nursing Service and our Marie Curie Helper service.

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