Lesson E Writing

A Complete the sentences with the correct time references.

1. _____ was the last day of my vacation.
   a. Yesterday **b.** On January 1st,
2. Hana began to study English _____ and now she is an English teacher.
   a. this morning **b.** in 2016
3. _____ I was afraid to speak in class.
   a. In 2001, **b.** When I was a student,
4. _____ my friend arrived from Cartagena.
   a. When I was young, **b.** The day before yesterday,
5. _____ technology changed quickly.
   a. A year ago, **b.** During the 20th century,
6. Reo was a student in Tokyo _____.
   a. between 2015 and 2017 **b.** last night
7. She was late for class _____.
   a. last year **b.** this morning
8. Manuel learned to drive _____.
   a. on September 3rd **b.** last year

B Complete the sentences with time references.

1. The first time I flew in an airplane was _____.
2. _____ I met my best friend.
3. _____ I started to study English.
4. _____ cell phones became popular in my country.
5. I visited _____ for the first time _____.
6. _____ I watched TV.
7. I ate breakfast _____.

C Read the blog post by a student. Underline the time references and circle the verbs in the simple past.

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Hi, my name's Milagros. I started studying English in 2016. I was a high school student. My English class was not difficult, but I didn't speak well. A year ago, I started classes with a tutor. This helped me with conversation skills. I learned new words and grammar in conversation before I learned to read and write them. This way of learning worked for me. Between 2016 and 2018, I continued to learn English in school, but the extra practice with a tutor was important for me. After high school, I went to college, where I met a lot of people who spoke English. Talking to friends and classmates in English helped me improve quickly. I spoke better and understood more. Now I feel confident about my English.

D In your notebook, write about your experience learning English for a blog for other students. Use time references and the simple past.

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