

**I Complete the sentences with the correct forms of the verbs in brackets: the past simple, the past continuous and the past perfect.**

0 *The euro is the official currency of the European Union. It came (come) into existence on 1st January 1999.*

1 European fruit and vegetable farmers \_\_\_\_\_ (say) that they \_\_\_\_\_ (lose) a lot of money because of the *E. Coli* infection.

2 Jean Monnet is one of the founding fathers of the European Union. He \_\_\_\_\_ (come) up with his plan while he \_\_\_\_\_ (work) as a civil servant.

3 The Schengen Agreement \_\_\_\_\_ (give) European Union citizens the right to move freely across and between the European countries which \_\_\_\_\_ (sign) it.

4 When my country \_\_\_\_\_ (organize) a referendum about whether to join the European Union, I \_\_\_\_\_ (vote) for joining.

5 When I \_\_\_\_\_ (prepare) a presentation about the EU for my social studies lesson, I \_\_\_\_\_ (find out) that half a billion people live in the union.

**II Choose the correct form. In one sentence both answers are correct – choose both of them.**

0 *When I was a child, shops used to / would be closed on Sundays.*

1 As a political refugee, Ivan *received* / *would receive* some financial support from the government for twelve months.

2 Many Polish people *wouldn't* / *didn't use to* have passports.

3 They *would* / *used to* ask for a work permit if you wanted to work in the UK.

4 We *would donate* / *donated* the money to this organization twice in one year.

5 Croatia *joined* / *used to join* the European Union in July 2013 becoming its 28<sup>th</sup> member state.

**III Complete the text with the verbs from brackets using past tenses: Past Simple, Past Continuous or Past Perfect.**

It was Sunday afternoon. I.....(watch) a cookery program on TV when I.....(realise) how hungry I was. But of course I was hungry; I.....(not eat) anything since lunch, and I.....(run) a race in the morning. "Biscuits!" I.....(think) My mother.....(give) me a jar of delicious home-made biscuits.

I.....(go) into the kitchen,.....(open) the fridge and.....(pour) some milk in a big glass. Then I.....(look) for the kitchen chair but it.....(not be) there: somebody.....(take) it away. And there were no biscuits in the biscuit jar: somebody.....(eat) them all! I was sure I.....(put) the jar there the previous day, and I.....(eat) only one cookie. It was very strange.

A few minutes later, I .....(drink) my glass of milk when I .....(hear) a loud noise coming from the dining room. I .....(go) there quickly and I .....(open) the door. I couldn't believe my eyes. An enormous monkey .....(eat) the biscuits excitedly on the kitchen chair.