

1 Complete the reported speech sentences with the past simple of the verbs in brackets.

Language focus

I met an astronaut today.

He said that he (1) was (be) back from the stars.

He said that he (2) liked (like) our planet best.

But he said that he (3) had to (have to) visit Mars.

He said that he (4) didn't know (not know) the way.

He said that he (5) wanted (want) a map.

But I said that I (6) didn't have (not have) one.

And that's because I'm a cat.



2 Complete the sentences.

- 1 I really love broccoli soup. → She said that she really loved broccoli soup.
- 2 I watch TV every night for three hours. → He said that he watched TV every night for three hours.
- 3 I feed the cat every morning at seven. → She said that she fed the cat every morning at seven.
- 4 I play football every Saturday afternoon. → He said that he played football every Saturday afternoon.
- 5 I take the dog for a walk every evening. → She said that she took the dog for a walk every evening.

3 Read the interview with Zonrak's friend. Complete the journalist's report.

**Journalist** So, you're Zonrak's friend Zaprax and you're from Alpha 346 too. Have you got a family?

**Zaprax** Yes, I've got a wife and two boys.

**Journalist** Do the children go to school?

**Zaprax** No, because robots give the children lessons at home.

**Journalist** What sort of work do you do?

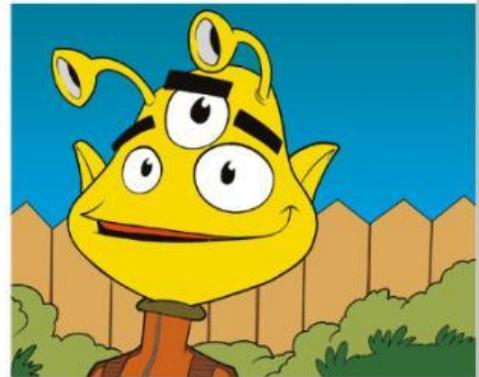
**Zaprax** I'm a scientist and a pilot.

**Journalist** So you've got two jobs?

**Zaprax** Yes, everyone has got two jobs.

**Journalist** Isn't it difficult to have two jobs?

**Zaprax** No, it isn't. We only need to sleep for three hours at night.



Yesterday, I talked to Zaprax, another alien from Alpha 346. I asked about his family and he said that he (1) had a wife and two boys. I was interested to find out about schools on Alpha 346, but Zaprax said that (2) the children have lessons at home. When I asked about his work, Zaprax said that he (3) is a scientist and a pilot: he's a scientist and a pilot. I was surprised, but he explained that on Alpha 346, (4) they sleep for three hours at night.

This sounded like very hard work to me, but Zaprax said that it (5) isn't difficult because they only (6) sleep for three hours at night.