


**A** Complete the blog post with the simple past or past perfect. Sometimes both are possible.



### Was it a just a coincidence?

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I have some good news for everyone! It's a long story, but . . . in my last year of high school, in California, I \_\_\_\_\_ (have) a girlfriend named Sophia. We \_\_\_\_\_ (meet) two years earlier when we were both playing on the softball team. After we graduated, she \_\_\_\_\_ (move) to Texas because she \_\_\_\_\_ (get) a place at a culinary school there. After a few months, she \_\_\_\_\_ (break up) with me because she \_\_\_\_\_ (meet) someone else. I was very upset, but I accepted it because we \_\_\_\_\_ (not / see) each other since graduation. Eventually I \_\_\_\_\_ (get) a job in Chicago. Before I left California, I \_\_\_\_\_ (try) to contact Sophia and her family, but no one \_\_\_\_\_ (return) my calls. Then, last month, I \_\_\_\_\_ (go) to the grocery store, and there was Sophia, in line at the checkout. It turned out she \_\_\_\_\_ (get) a job in Chicago a month earlier, and she \_\_\_\_\_ (move) into an apartment on my street! It was weird because I \_\_\_\_\_ (spend) a whole year trying to contact her. And the best thing was that Sophia \_\_\_\_\_ (miss) me, too. Anyway, to make a long story short, we're now planning to get married. Maybe it wasn't a coincidence after all.