

Play and practice with your English knowledge

1- DRAG AND DROP EACH WORD TO COMPLETE IN ORDER A PAST SIMPLE OR PAST PROGRESSIVE SENTENCE.

1. I / yesterday / was / an / English / Reading / book
2. Friday / playing / in / were / the / they / university / last
3. Cooked / they / dinner / the / last / night
4. She / cooking / was / dinner / while / I / watching / was / TV.
5. Studying / for / the / final / were / We / last / night / exam
6. She / her / yesterday / room / cleaned / morning
7. Drinking / the / was / water / cold / dog
8. appointment / Peter / was / late / for / his / running

2- READ THE TEXT BELOW AND SELECT THE CORRECT ANSWER.

Marie Curie

She _____ (meet) her future husband Pierre Curie at the university. He considered Marie to be a genius and instantly _____ (want) to work with her. They got married and spent most of their time together in their laboratory studying radioactive materials. Their research led to the discovery of radium, for which they _____ (be) honoured with the Nobel Prize for Physics in 1903.

Curie was born in Warsaw, Poland. Her father _____ (be) a maths and physics teacher and was a big influence on Marie's early education. From an early age Marie _____ (be) an exceptional student with an amazing memory. She often _____ (go) without food and sleep to study. Her brilliant mind led her to Paris to study and conduct her research.

Pierre was killed in 1906 and Marie was devastated and extremely lonely. She threw herself even deeper into her work and _____ (win) the Nobel Prize for Chemistry in 1911. She _____ (spend) the 1920s raising funds for more research into radium. In 1934 she died from a condition caused by decades of exposure to radiation. No one _____ (know) how deadly radium was until years later.

Marie Curie _____ (be) born in 1867. She is one of the greatest scientists ever to have lived. She _____ (be) a pioneer in the field of radioactivity and discovered the chemical elements radium and polonium. Curie is the only person ever to win two Nobel Prizes in two different sciences. Other achievements include being the first female professor at the University of Paris.

3- READ THE TEXT BELOW AND SELECT THE CORRECT ANSWER.

Questions

- How would you describe Marie Curie as a student?
- What groundbreaking discovery did Marie and Pierre Curie make together?
- What was Marie Curie's role in the advancement of women in science?
- What tragic consequence did Marie Curie's work with radioactive materials have on her health?
- How is Marie Curie remembered today?