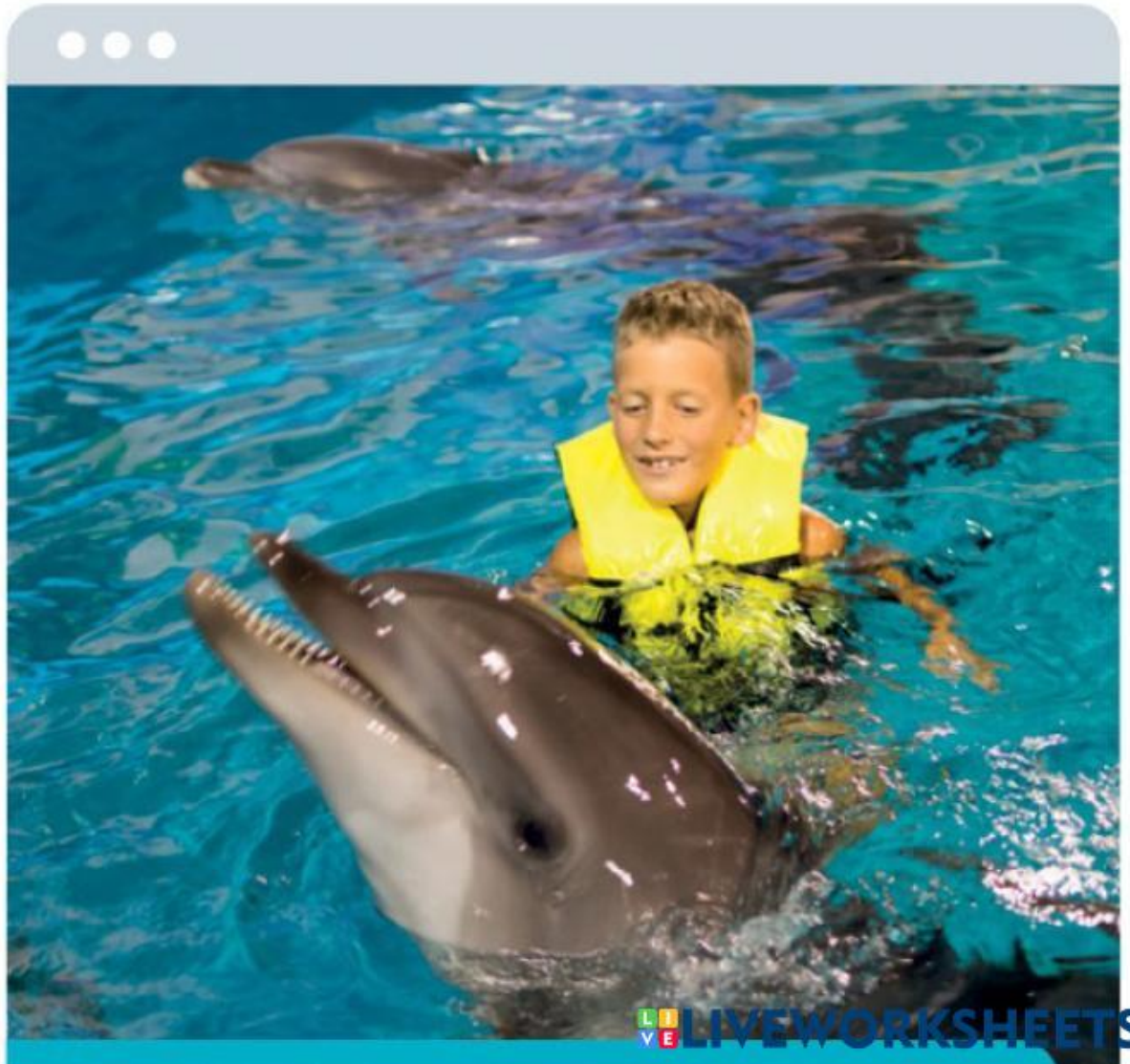


1 Read the blog and answer the questions.

1 Where was Jamie? \_\_\_\_\_

2 Who was he with? \_\_\_\_\_

3 How did he feel in the morning? \_\_\_\_\_



## My dolphin adventure by Jamie Harper

Two years ago I <sup>1</sup> went (go) on holiday to Florida with my family.

One day, we <sup>2</sup> \_\_\_\_\_ (visit) a dolphin centre. I <sup>3</sup> \_\_\_\_\_ (be) very excited in the morning because it was my dream to see dolphins.

When we <sup>4</sup> \_\_\_\_\_ (arrive), one of the trainers <sup>5</sup> \_\_\_\_\_ (speak) to our group. They <sup>6</sup> \_\_\_\_\_ (tell) us all about dolphins. We went to meet the dolphins, but at first they <sup>7</sup> \_\_\_\_\_ (not be) there, so I felt sad.

After a short while, the dolphins <sup>8</sup> \_\_\_\_\_ (swim) into the lagoon and I <sup>9</sup> \_\_\_\_\_ (take) photos of them. When we <sup>10</sup> \_\_\_\_\_ (meet) the dolphins close, some people were a bit scared, but I wasn't. They <sup>11</sup> \_\_\_\_\_ (not look) aggressive but beautiful! One swam next to me. We <sup>12</sup> \_\_\_\_\_ (have) an amazing time.

It was the best experience ever.  **LIVEWORKSHEETS**

**2** Complete the blog with the Past Simple form of the verbs in brackets.

**3** Match 1–4 with a–d.

1  Two years

a photos.

2  I was

b ago...

3  I took

c amazing time.

4  We had an

d very excited.

**4** Match the items in Exercise 3 to functions a–c.  
One function has two items.

- a Describe what happened and how you felt. 2 / \_\_\_\_
- b Say when the situation/event happened. \_\_\_\_
- c Say what you think about the situation/event. \_\_\_\_

**5** Choose the correct option.

- 1 We saw monkeys and / *or* tigers at the safari park.
- 2 I went to Orlando *so* / *because* I wanted to see the dolphins.
- 3 I like cats, *or* / *but* I don't like dogs.
- 4 The park didn't have dolphins *so* / *or* sharks.
- 5 We didn't see any wild animals, *so* / *because* I felt sad.



## 6 Write a blog entry about a special trip you made. Try to include an animal in your blog.

1

### Find ideas

Make notes about:

- where you were.
- who you were with.
- what happened.

2

### Plan and write

- Organise your ideas into paragraphs. Use the text in Exercise 1 to help you.
- Write a draft blog entry.

3

### Check

- Check language: are the linking words (*and, or, so, but, because*) correct?
- Check grammar: did you use a variety of verbs in the Past Simple?
- Write the final version of your blog entry.

