

- 1 Dominic and his wife wanted to live _____.
☐ a in another country ☐ b in another place in their country
- 2 Duke University offered _____ a job in the US.
☐ a Dominic ☐ b Miriam
- 3 In the beginning, they _____ sure if they wanted to go.
☐ a were ☐ b weren't



My wife and I always wanted to live abroad. But Miriam and I both work in the UK – she's a doctor and I'm a designer – and we have two small children, Sacha and Elena. Then an American university, Duke, in Durham, North Carolina, asked Miriam to go and work there for a year. At first, we weren't sure what to do. There were so many questions. What about Sacha's school? What do we do with our house? But finally, we decided to go!

b 11.2 Listen and match the sentences to photos A–F.

- 1 ☐ We **rented** a house near the university.
- 2 ☐ We **booked** our flights. It was a long trip!
- 3 ☐ We **invited** our friends to a restaurant to say goodbye.
- 4 ☐ We **packed** seven heavy suitcases.
- 5 ☐ The children **didn't want** to sleep on the plane. Sacha **played** with toys and Elena **looked** at books.
- 6 ☐ When we **arrived** in North Carolina, we were very tired!



- c Look at the **highlighted** verbs in sentences 1–6 and complete the chart. What letters do you add to the verb to make the affirmative $+$ past form? How do you make the negative $-$?

simple past: regular verbs	
present	past
we book	We our flights.
we arrive	We in North Carolina.
they don't want	They want to sleep.

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11A

a Write the sentences in the simple past.

- He watches a lot of TV. *He watched a lot of TV.*
- 1 They work in a bank.
 - 2 He finishes work late.
 - 3 We live in Brazil.
 - 4 I carry a big bag.
 - 5 She walks to work.
 - 6 The train stops in Chicago.
 - 7 We play tennis.
 - 8 You talk a lot!
 - 9 I relax on the weekend.
 - 10 He waits for the bus.
 - 11 She prefers the red car.
 - 12 She needs a new coat.

b Complete the conversations with the verb in parentheses in the simple past (+, -, or ?).

- (play) A *Did* you *play* golf last weekend?
B Yes, I *played* on Saturday.
- 1 (park) A Where you the car?
B I it near the restaurant.
- 2 (finish) A you your homework?
B No, I it. It was very difficult.
- 3 (study) A What you in college?
B I economics.
- 4 (like) A you the concert?
B No, I it very much. The singers were terrible.
- 5 (watch) A you TV last night?
B Yes, we a very good show.
- 6 (close) A you the door when you went out?
B Of course I it!
- 7 (cry) A you at the end of the movie?
B Yes, I a lot!
- 8 (arrive) A What time you in Tokyo?
B We there yesterday afternoon.

a Work with a partner.

A Make ☐ or ☐ true sentences about you with the phrases below. Add more information. 

B Check (✓) the things your partner did and cross out (X) the things he or she didn't do.

this morning	listen to the radio	☐
	walk to work / school	☐
	arrive late at work / school	☐
last night	call a friend	☐
	watch TV	☐
	study English	☐
last weekend	play a sport or a game	☐
	cook lunch or dinner	☐
	help in the house	☐

