

# Grammar

## Past simple

### 3 Complete the sentences with the past simple form of the verbs in brackets.

- 1 Sebastian ..... (go) to visit his family in Hong Kong.
- 2 We ..... (decide) to visit the nature park and not the zoo.
- 3 Ruth ..... (try) to help her sister with her homework.
- 4 They ..... (show) us around their beautiful new home.
- 5 Hugo ..... (feel) really tired and went home early.
- 6 We ..... (talk) about which present to buy Carly.
- 7 They ..... (go) to Cape Town this morning.
- 8 Phil and Ben ..... (be) happy to help me fix my car.
- 9 Robin ..... (watch) the football match with his friends.
- 10 I ..... (be) surprised to see some new students in the class.

### 4 Choose the correct alternatives.

- 1 Hilda *walk/walked* to the swimming pool with her daughter.
- 2 James *crying/cried* at the end of the film because it was very sad.
- 3 We *was/were* really cold on the train because there was no heating.
- 4 Before I *had/have* a baby, I had more time to read books.
- 5 The waiter *write/wrote* down the order in his notebook.
- 6 Rachel *flying/flew* to Japan yesterday.
- 7 I *see/saw* my old teacher in town on Saturday.
- 8 Georgia *was/were* very lucky to get the job.

## 5 Complete the text with the past simple form of the verbs in the box.

arrive be (x2) decide feel fly look show talk try  
visit watch

In my job I don't get many holidays. I'm always too busy with work! So this year, I <sup>1</sup>\_\_\_\_\_ to take a holiday in the sun with my family. We <sup>2</sup>\_\_\_\_\_ very excited and <sup>3</sup>\_\_\_\_\_ at the airport early. We had to check in for the flight and hand in our luggage. As we queued, we <sup>4</sup>\_\_\_\_\_ about all the things we wanted to do on holiday. When it was our turn to check in, I <sup>5</sup>\_\_\_\_\_ at the tickets. I realised that I had booked the wrong holiday. Our tickets were for two weeks' holiday in Manchester, not Morocco! We <sup>6</sup>\_\_\_\_\_ to change the tickets, but it wasn't possible. I <sup>7</sup>\_\_\_\_\_ my hotel booking to the travel company, but they couldn't change it. We were so angry! In the end, we <sup>8</sup>\_\_\_\_\_ to Manchester. The holiday <sup>9</sup>\_\_\_\_\_ a lot of fun. I <sup>10</sup>\_\_\_\_\_ relaxed and happy. We <sup>11</sup>\_\_\_\_\_ films and <sup>12</sup>\_\_\_\_\_ great museums. We were surprised to have such a good holiday so close to home!

