

## GRAMMAR past simple: irregular verbs

a Complete the blog with the past simple form of the verbs in brackets.



### A MEMORABLE NEW YEAR'S EVE



This happened to me a couple of years ago. Some university friends and I wanted to celebrate New Year's Eve at the famous street party in Edinburgh. We <sup>1</sup>knew (know) it <sup>2</sup>\_\_\_\_\_ (be) difficult to get tickets for the party, but we <sup>3</sup>\_\_\_\_\_ (be) really lucky and <sup>4</sup>\_\_\_\_\_ (buy) some online six months before. On 31st December, we <sup>5</sup>\_\_\_\_\_ (get) a fast train from London.

We arrived in Edinburgh at 6.00 p.m. and walked from the station to our hotel. We relaxed, <sup>6</sup>\_\_\_\_\_ (have) dinner, and then <sup>7</sup>\_\_\_\_\_ (get) ready to go out. We <sup>8</sup>\_\_\_\_\_ (wear) warm clothes, because it <sup>9</sup>\_\_\_\_\_ (be) really cold. We <sup>10</sup>\_\_\_\_\_ (get) to the city centre at about 9.30 p.m. It <sup>11</sup>\_\_\_\_\_ (be) wet and quite windy. We <sup>12</sup>\_\_\_\_\_ (go) into the first warm bar we <sup>13</sup>\_\_\_\_\_ (find) and <sup>14</sup>\_\_\_\_\_ (drink) some whisky. At about 10.30 p.m., we <sup>15</sup>\_\_\_\_\_ (put on) our warm coats again and <sup>16</sup>\_\_\_\_\_ (go) back outside. The streets <sup>17</sup>\_\_\_\_\_ (be) nearly empty! Some people <sup>18</sup>\_\_\_\_\_ (say) 'The street party is cancelled because of the terrible weather.' We <sup>19</sup>\_\_\_\_\_ (not can) believe it! The weather <sup>20</sup>\_\_\_\_\_ (not be) good, but it <sup>21</sup>\_\_\_\_\_ (feel) like a normal winter night in Scotland.

In the end, we <sup>22</sup>\_\_\_\_\_ (get) a taxi back to our hotel and <sup>23</sup>\_\_\_\_\_ (spend) midnight in our rooms! We <sup>24</sup>\_\_\_\_\_ (not have) a very happy New Year's Eve!



b Complete these questions about the blog.

- 1 Where did they buy tickets for the party?
- 2 Why \_\_\_\_\_ warm clothes?
- 3 What time \_\_\_\_\_ to the city centre?
- 4 What \_\_\_\_\_ the weather like?
- 5 What \_\_\_\_\_ in the bar?
- 6 What \_\_\_\_\_ at 10.30 p.m.?
- 7 What \_\_\_\_\_ to them?
- 8 \_\_\_\_\_ a bus back to their hotel?
- 9 Where \_\_\_\_\_ midnight?
- 10 \_\_\_\_\_ a good time?

- They bought tickets for the party online.  
Because it was really cold.  
They got there at about 9.30 p.m.  
It was wet and quite windy.  
They drank some whisky.  
They put on their coats and went outside.  
They said 'The street party is cancelled.'  
No, they didn't. They got a taxi.  
They spent midnight in their rooms.  
No, they didn't.

