

a) Complete the text with the correct form of the verbs in parentheses: simple past, past continuous, or past perfect.



### My first car nightmare

This story <sup>1</sup> **happened** (happen) to me about five years ago, and it's probably the worst thing that's ever happened to me while driving a car.

I <sup>2</sup> **had bought** (buy) my car the week before, and I <sup>3</sup> \_\_\_\_\_ (still feel) very excited about it. It <sup>4</sup> \_\_\_\_\_ (not have) air conditioning but that <sup>5</sup> \_\_\_\_\_ (not matter) to me because it was my first ever car! I <sup>6</sup> \_\_\_\_\_ (know) that my best friend Penny <sup>7</sup> \_\_\_\_\_ (always want) to visit a picturesque little village in the mountains about 100 miles from where we live, so I <sup>8</sup> \_\_\_\_\_ (call) her and <sup>9</sup> \_\_\_\_\_ (tell) her that I would take her there the following day.

It was a perfect, warm spring day. The sun <sup>10</sup> \_\_\_\_\_ (shine) and the sky was blue. While I <sup>11</sup> \_\_\_\_\_ (drive) and we <sup>12</sup> \_\_\_\_\_ (talk), I <sup>13</sup> \_\_\_\_\_ (see) something out of the corner of my eye. It was a wasp that <sup>14</sup> \_\_\_\_\_ (fly) into the car! Penny and I both <sup>15</sup> \_\_\_\_\_ (try) to kill the wasp that <sup>16</sup> \_\_\_\_\_ (buzz) around inside the car. But the wasp suddenly <sup>17</sup> \_\_\_\_\_ (disappear). Then I <sup>18</sup> \_\_\_\_\_ (feel) a pain in my arm: the wasp <sup>19</sup> \_\_\_\_\_ (sting) me! I forgot that I <sup>20</sup> \_\_\_\_\_ (drive), and... BANG! I <sup>21</sup> \_\_\_\_\_ (crash) into the car in front of us. Nobody was hurt, but that was the end of our day out and of my car.