

Exercise 1: Complete the sentences with the Past Simple form of the verbs in brackets:

1. Holmes _____ (keep) cigars in the coal box.
2. Musgrave _____ (discover) Brunton in the library.
3. Rachel Howells _____ (disappear) during the night.
4. Holmes and Musgrave _____ (travel) to Sussex together.
5. Brunton _____ (hide) one of the papers inside his jacket.
6. Holmes _____ (measure) the shadow of the tree carefully.
7. The servants _____ (search) the entire house.
8. Rachel _____ (throw) the objects into the lake.

Exercise 2: Change the sentences into negative:

Example: Holmes liked disorder. → Holmes **did not like** disorder.

1. Musgrave trusted Brunton completely.

2. Holmes lived near the British Museum.

3. Rachel loved Brunton forever.

4. The police solved the mystery quickly.

5. Brunton took his belongings with him.

Exercise 3: Make questions in Past Simple:

Example: Holmes solved the case. → **Did Holmes solve the case?**

1. Musgrave heard a noise in the library.

2. Brunton studied the ritual carefully.

3. Holmes followed the instructions in the ritual.

4. Rachel disappeared from her bedroom.

5. Holmes discovered the hidden chamber.
