

Lost and.... not found! :(

Think and answer:

1. Do you have a special ritual or mantra to do/say before you go on holiday? What is it?
2. Have you ever lost anything important during your holiday? What was that? Did you find it?

‘Passport, tickets, money, phone’

It’s the mantra we always say to ourselves when we go on holiday to make sure we haven’t forgotten anything. But what happens when one of those things is suddenly missing? Email us your stories or send us a recording...

‘ Last year, I went on holiday to the Alps with a group of friends. One day, we climbed a mountain – well, it wasn’t really a climb, but it was a long walk – and it took about two hours to get to the top. When we got there, we had lunch. The view was amazing – we could see the sea in the distance. We took photos and just sat in the sun for a while.

Then we went down again, and when we got back to the car, I wanted to take another photo, but I couldn’t find my phone – it wasn’t in my bag. I thought ‘Oh no! It’s probably at the top of the mountain, where we had lunch.’ I decided the only thing to do was to go back up the mountain to get it, because I didn’t want to leave my phone up there. My friends said ‘OK, but you can’t go on your own’, so in the end we all went up again, which was another two hours.

When we got to the top we spent about half an hour looking for the phone, but we couldn’t find it anywhere. Then it started to get colder – it was now late afternoon – so I took my jacket out of my bag, and... my phone was in my jacket pocket!

I felt terrible, and really stupid! My friends were very nice about it, but they never let me forget it! ’

Stuart, from Exeter, UK

c Read the story again. Then cover it and correct the **bold** information.

- 1 Stuart went to the Alps with **his family**.
Stuart went to the Alps with his friends.
- 2 One day, they **went cycling**.
- 3 It took **three hours** to get to the top of the mountain.
- 4 They had a **snack** at the top of the mountain.
- 5 The view **wasn't very good**.
- 6 Stuart wanted to take another photo, but he couldn't find **his camera**.
- 7 He went back up the mountain with **one of his friends**.
- 8 They spent **an hour** looking for the phone.
- 9 It started to get **warmer**.
- 10 He found his phone in his **bag**.
- 11 His friends were **angry** about it.

Find in the text and write the Past Simple of the following verbs:

go	want
climb	think
take	say
get	find
have	spend
be	feel
can	decide
sit	start

