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## **Unit 2: PERSONAL EXPERIENCES**

### *Language Focus*

**1. Use the correct present tense forms of the verbs in the brackets in the story below. The first one has been done for you as an example.**

The story is about a girl called Little Red Riding Hood who (0. live) **lives** with her mother. Little Red Riding Hood's grandmother (1. invite) \_\_\_\_\_ her to her cottage, so one fine day she (2. set) \_\_\_\_\_ off to visit her. The little girl (3. get) \_\_\_\_\_ ready, (4. wave) \_\_\_\_\_ goodbye to her mother and (5. promise) \_\_\_\_\_ to be careful. On her arm she (6. carry) \_\_\_\_\_ a basket which (7. contain) \_\_\_\_\_ a cake her mother (8. bake) \_\_\_\_\_ specially. It (9. be) \_\_\_\_\_ a lovely spring morning, the sun (10. shine) \_\_\_\_\_ and the birds (11. sing) \_\_\_\_\_ feeling happy that the winter (12. be) \_\_\_\_\_ over.

**Exercise 2. Complete the sentences by putting the verbs into the past simple or past progressive.**

1. He \_\_\_\_\_ his arm when he \_\_\_\_\_ football. (break, play)
2. Julia \_\_\_\_\_ her first novel when she \_\_\_\_\_ 19 years old. (write, be)
3. I \_\_\_\_\_ on the computer when the fire \_\_\_\_\_ out. (work, break)
4. When it \_\_\_\_\_ to rain, they \_\_\_\_\_ through the forest. (start, walk)
5. He \_\_\_\_\_ us about his marriage when we \_\_\_\_\_ afternoon tea. (tell, have)
6. Sorry, I \_\_\_\_\_ to you. I \_\_\_\_\_ about something else. (not listen, think)

8. Mary \_\_\_\_\_ her glasses at the time, so she \_\_\_\_\_ what kind of car the man \_\_\_\_\_. (not wear, not notice, drive)

**Exercise 3. Write the sentences, putting the verbs in each sentence into the past simple or the past perfect.**

1. They \_\_\_\_\_ (eat) everything by the time I \_\_\_\_\_ (arrive) at the party.
2. When I \_\_\_\_\_ (find) my purse, someone \_\_\_\_\_ (take) the money out of it.
3. By the time I \_\_\_\_\_ (get) into town, the shops \_\_\_\_\_ (close).
4. When they \_\_\_\_\_ (get) to the station, the train \_\_\_\_\_ (leave).
5. By the time you \_\_\_\_\_ (get) her letter, she \_\_\_\_\_ (arrive) in Paris.
6. The police \_\_\_\_\_ (pay) no attention to Clare's complaint because she \_\_\_\_\_ (phone) them so many times before.
7. I \_\_\_\_\_ (go) to the post office to ask about my package, but they \_\_\_\_\_ (say) that it \_\_\_\_\_ (not arrive) yet.
8. When I \_\_\_\_\_ (look) at the new dress for half an hour, I \_\_\_\_\_ (ask) how much it \_\_\_\_\_ (cost).