Vocabulary and Grammar

1 Complete the text with the words from the box.

success	party	wedding day	~~celebrate~~	reward	wedding anniversary	marriage

Double wedding celebration

Two couples got together today to 1)_**celebrate**_ 25 years of 2)_____. Brothers Jim and Kenny Clarke married sisters Amy and Julia King in a double wedding 25 years ago. 'We enjoyed our 3) _____ so much that we wanted to relive the memory on our 4) _____' said Amy. 'We've organised a big 5)_____ and invited all our family and friends.' So, what is the secret of the couple's 6)_____? 'We try to solve our problems quickly. And we like to 7)_____ each other when things go well.'

2 Choose the correct words.

Snake found on plane

There was panic on a ***package / packed*** plane on a ***motorway / runway*** at Manchester Airport yesterday evening. ***Passengers / Travellers*** on the plane were frightened when they saw a snake sleeping under one of the seats fifteen minutes before ***take-up / take-off*** . One of the flight attendants called ***police / security*** staff and they caught the snake and put it back in its cage on the cargo ***deck / floor*** . 'The cage wasn't closed properly, so the snake was able to escape. It's a grass snake, so it isn't poisonous, but a few of the people on the plane were ***terrified / terrible*** , 'said Lee Mylles, a flight attendant on the plane.

Grammar: *Past tenses*

3 Complete the sentences with the correct form of the verbs in brackets. Use <u>Past Simple</u> or <u>Past Continuous.</u>

1 While we _***were watching***_ (watch) the news, the doorbell _____ (ring).

2 I _____ (see) an accident when I _____ (walk) home.

3 The police _____ (catch) the thief while he _____ (try) to escape.

4 While the celebrity couple _____ (make) their latest film, they _____ (get) married.

5 The fire fighters _____ (rescue) the cat while they _____ (put) out the fire.

6 When the prime minister _____ (arrive) hundreds of photoraphers _____ (wait).

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4 Read the sentences and answer the questions.

1 When the news reporter arrived, the crowd had gone.

Was the crowd there when the news reporter arrived? Yes No

2 The police said that the thief had been in the building.

Has the thief gone? Yes No

3 When he turned on the TV, the news had started.

Did they see the beginning of the news? Yes No

4 The actress drove away when the photographers arrived.

Was the actress there when the photographers arrived? Yes No

5 When they gave the traffice report on TV, we had already gone away.

Did they hear the traffic report? Yes No

5 Complete the texts with the correct forms of the verbs in brackets. Use Past Simple, Past Continuous and Past Perfect.

Police hunt granny suspects

Police suspect two grandmothers of stealing a student's purse at a train station in the north of England. The two ladies 1)_***were seen***_ (be see) on security cameras. They 2)_____ (laugh) to themselves moments before the theft. The ladies 3)_____ (find) the student's bag and then 4)_____ (take) it to the transport police office. Later, while the student 5)_____ (check) her bags, she 6)_____ (realise) that her purse 7)_____ (disappear). The police said, 'We would like to interview these ladies. They 8)_____ just _____ (get off) a train from Newcastle'.

Prisoner mails himself to freedom

A prisoner 9)_____ (put) himself in a big package and then 10)_____ (mail) himself from a jail in Austria. The man 11)_____ (serve) a sentence for robbery when he 12)_____ (escape). He 13)_____ (make) himself into a package and then other prisoners put him onto a truck. When the truck 14)_____ (travel) a distance from the prison, the man 15)_____ (break) out of the package and escaped.

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