

Complete the texts using the correct past forms of the verb

## Holiday Trouble

I remember the first time I 1) *went*... (go) abroad on holiday. I 2) ..... (just/leave) school. I 3) ..... (study) very hard for my final exams and I 4) ..... (feel) that I needed to get away. A friend of mine 5) ..... (want) to go away as well, so we 6) ..... (decide) to look at some brochures at a travel agent's. We 7) ..... (search) for about an hour when my friend 8) ..... (find) the perfect holiday – two weeks in Cuba. We 9) ..... (be) very excited about it. Finally, the day of our holiday 10) ..... (arrive). We 11) ..... (just/leave) the house when the phone 12) ..... (ring). I 13) ..... (run) back into the house but the phone 14) ..... (stop) by the time I 15) ..... (reach) it. When we 16) ..... (get) to the airport, we 17) ..... (check) in and 18) ..... (go) to the cafeteria. While we were having our coffee, the airline 19) ..... (make) an announcement. Our flight was delayed for eight hours. It was then that I 20) ..... (realise) what the phone call was about.

## Titanic HITS Iceberg

In 1912, a passenger steamship called the *Titanic* 1) *was sailing*... (sail) across the Atlantic Ocean from England to America. A bright moon 2) .....



..... (shine) and a gentle breeze 3) ..... (blow). The ship 4) ..... (sail) for four days and was now more than halfway towards its destination – New York City. Some passengers 5) ..... (sleep) in their cabins while others 6) ..... (relax) on deck, when suddenly they all 7) ..... (hear) a loud bang. Those sitting on deck 8) ..... (jump up), 9) ..... (run) to the railing of the ship, and 10) ..... (look) over the side. To their horror, they saw that they 11) ..... (hit) an iceberg which 12) ..... (tear) a hole in the side of the ship. Water was pouring into the ship at an alarming rate. There were not enough lifeboats on the ship and tragically more than 1,500 people lost their lives that night. The sinking of the *Titanic* remains the most infamous sea disaster in history.