

8A A murder story

1 READING

- a Read the back cover of a murder story. Then cover it and look at the photographs. Can you remember who the people are?

Who's Amanda?  She's Jeremy's wife.

- b (4.2) Read and listen to the story. Mark the sentences **T** (true) or **F** (false). Correct the **F** sentences.

- 1 Somebody killed Jeremy between 12.00 a.m. and 2.00.
- 2 The inspector questioned Amanda in the living room.
- 3 Jeremy went to bed before Amanda.
- 4 Amanda and Jeremy slept in the same room.
- 5 Somebody opened and closed Amanda's door.
- 6 Amanda got up at 7.00.
- 7 Amanda didn't love Jeremy.

- c Look at the highlighted irregular verbs in the story. What are the infinitives?

1 way = be

2 PRONUNCIATION

past simple verbs

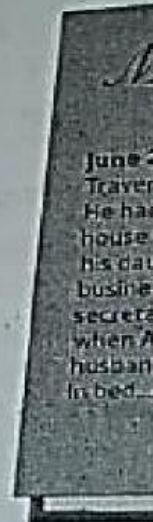
- a (4.3) Listen to the pronunciation of these verbs in the past simple.

thought could found heard read
said saw took taught wore

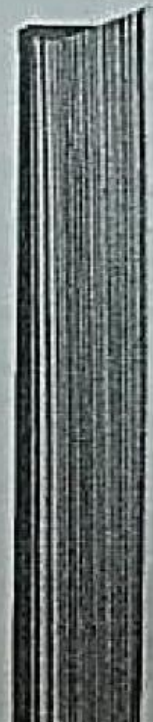
- b (4.4) Now match the verbs in a with a word below which rhymes. Listen and check. Practise saying the words.

book _____ bed _____
round _____ four _____
bird _____ port _____
good _____

- c (4.5) Find and underline nine past simple regular verbs in the story. How do you pronounce them? Listen and check.



She



3 LISTENING

- a (4:6, 7, 8) Listen to the inspector question Barbara. Write the information in the chart. Listen again and check. Then do the same for Gordon and Claudia.

	<i>Amanda</i>	<i>Barbara</i>	<i>Gordon</i>	<i>Claudia</i>
What did they do after dinner?	She went for a walk.			
What time did they go to bed?	11.45.			
Did they hear anything?	Jeremy's door opened and closed.			
Possible motive?	She hated him.			

- b Compare your chart with a partner. Who do you think was the murderer: Amanda, Barbara, Gordon, or Claudia? Why?
- c (4:9) Now listen to what happened. Who was the murderer? Why did he / she kill Mr. Travers? Were you right?

4 GRAMMAR past simple: regular and irregular

- a Cover the story and look at these verbs. Are they regular or irregular in the past simple? Write the past simple form and for each verb.

come kill close speak sleep sit hate walk

came didn't come

- b (4:10) Listen and check.
- c ➤ p.138 Grammar Bank BA. Learn more about past simple regular and irregular verbs and practise them.
- d ➤ p.165 Irregular verbs Tick (✓) the irregular verbs you know. Choose three new ones and learn them.

5 SPEAKING

- Communication Police interview A p.104 B p.108 Interview robbery suspects. Are they telling the truth?