EXERCISE6

Read the information. Then complete the sentences with the past simple of the verbs in brackets.

Be careful with the spelling of the past simple form of regular verbs.

- Verb ends in 'e' (e.g. *hope →hoped*)
- Verb ends in vowel + 'y' (e.g. *play →played*)
- Verb ends in consonant + 'y' (e.g. *try →tried*)
- One-syllable verb ends in one vowel + one consonant (e.g. *rob → robbed*)
- Longer verb ends in one vowel + one consonant, stressed final syllable (e.g. *regret →regretted*)
- Longer verb ends in one vowel + one consonant, unstressed final syllable (e.g. *happen → happened*)

1. It was a beautiful evening, so we _____ (walk) along the beach.
2. I was born in Spain, but my parents _____ (move) to Switzerland when I was a baby.
3. Last week, we _____ (visit) the History Museum. It was really interesting.
4. We _____ (plan) to spend our holiday in the countryside, but we spent almost all the time on the beach.
5. There isn't a university in my town, so I _____ (study) in a big city.
6. I _____ enjoy) my trip to London, but there were a lot of tourists everywhere.
7. When we lived in the city centre, we went to the theatre every week, but we _____ (stop) going after we moved to the suburbs.
8. I _____ (try) to contact you, but we were in a very remote house and our phones didn't work.
9. We _____ (stay) in a lovely guest house by the seaside – it was smaller than a hotel, but it had everything we needed.
10. We moved to the countryside when I was a teenager. My parents loved it, but I _____ (prefer) living in the city.

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