

ENGLISH FILE INTERMEDIATE UNIT 5A/5B REVIEW WORKSHOP

1. Complete the story using the verbs in brackets in the past simple, past continuous, or past perfect. Write the answers in the column on the right.



My first car nightmare

This story ¹ happened (happen) to me about five years ago, and it's probably the worst thing that's ever happened to me while driving a car.

I ² had bought (buy) my car the week before, and I ³ _____ (still feel) very excited about it. It ⁴ _____ (not have) air conditioning but that ⁵ _____ (not matter) to me because it was my first ever car! I ⁶ _____ (know) that my best friend Penny ⁷ _____ (always want) to visit a picturesque little village in the mountains about 100 miles from where we live, so I ⁸ _____ (call) her and ⁹ _____ (tell) her that I would take her there the following day.

It was a perfect, warm spring day. The sun ¹⁰ _____ (shine) and the sky was blue. While I ¹¹ _____ (drive) and we ¹² _____ (talk), I ¹³ _____ (see) something out of the corner of my eye. It was a wasp that ¹⁴ _____ (fly) into the car! Penny and I both ¹⁵ _____ (try) to kill the wasp that ¹⁶ _____ (buzz) around inside the car. But the wasp suddenly ¹⁷ _____ (disappear). Then I ¹⁸ _____ (feel) a pain in my arm: the wasp ¹⁹ _____ (sting) me! I forgot that I ²⁰ _____ (drive), and... BANG! I ²¹ _____ (crash) into the car in front of us. Nobody was hurt, but that was the end of our day out and of my car.

2. Look at the chart and write sentences about Thomas and Lucie past and present habits. Use “used to” to refer to past habits and the simple present + usually for present habits as in the example:



	then	now
1 Occupation	university students	Thomas: photographer, Lucie: journalist
2 Home	Paris, France	Chicago, the USA
3 Eating habits	takeaway food	home-made food
4 House	a house with friends	a penthouse flat with their dog
5 Holidays	go camping	stay in five-star hotels
6 Sport	didn't play sport	both cycle at the weekend. Thomas often plays golf
7 Vehicle	bikes	a sports car
8 Clothes	second-hand clothes	designer clothes
9 Weekends	got up late, went out at night with friends	stay in, cook, and watch TV
10 Friends	lots of friends	just a few close ones

1 They used to be university students, but now he's a photographer and she's a journalist.

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