

1 Put the verbs in brackets into the correct past tense.

It was a nice afternoon last summer, and Paul and Andrew
1) (sail) for a week in the
Mediterranean. The two friends 2)
(plan) the sailing trip for months.

They 3) (sail) for over two hours
when black clouds 4) (appear) in the
sky. A storm 5) (come). Paul
6) (tell) Andrew to get back in the boat
as the water 7) (become) very rough.
The wind 8) (blow) hard and the boat
9) (start) to rock. Suddenly, they
10) (hear) a loud crashing sound. Paul
and Andrew couldn't believe their eyes when they
11) (see) that the boat
12) (strike) a large rock. There was a
large hole in the side of the boat and they
13) (sink) fast. Quickly, they
14) (put on) their lifejackets,
15) (send out) an SOS message and
then 16) (jump) into the sea.

In a few minutes the boat 17)
(sink) to the bottom of the sea. They were really scared but
then they 18) (hear) the sound of a
boat coming towards them. It was the coastguard. The crew
19) (help) them get out of the water
and 20) (give) them blankets to keep
warm. Paul and Andrew 21) (never/
feel) so relieved in their lives. They were lucky to be alive.

2 Choose the correct item.

- 1 At 9 o'clock this morning Steve a test.
A had taken B was taking C took
- 2 Helen was so tired that she asleep the minute she went to bed.
A fell B had fallen C was falling
- 3 The thieves by the time the police arrived.
A left B hadn't left
C had been leaving
- 4 Nina went to bed late because she on her project.
A had been working B worked
C was working
- 5 that Lisa was very nervous yesterday?
A Had you noticed B Did you notice
C Were you noticing