


Tales of the Past

1  Listen and circle the correct option.

1. She was **swimming** / sailing / flying in Hawaii when sharks attacked her.
2. She was walking on the ice when she fell into a **river** / a crack / the ocean.
3. She was **walking** / running / cycling across Australia when a snake bit her.
4. She was cycling in Alaska when a **wave** / polar bear / snowstorm hit.
5. She was flying a plane when the **plane** / forest / engine caught fire.

2  Listen again and number the pictures.



3 Read and write the verbs in the Past simple.

John Smith (1) _____ (be) an English explorer and writer.

He (2) _____ (sail) across the Atlantic Ocean.

He (3) _____ (travel) from England to America in 1606.

He (4) _____ (arrive) in Virginia in 1607 and

(5) _____ (establish) a colony called Jamestown.

He (6) _____ (return) to England in 1609. He

(7) _____ (tell) many stories about his adventures,

and they (8) _____ (be) very succesful.



2 Read and complete the dialogue.

When did you start your journey? (1) _____

And where did you go? (2) _____

How fascinating! And how long did it take? (3) _____

Amazing! What did you see? (4) _____

Captain Cook

Marco Polo

- a. I saw many incredible things!
- b. I was born in 1254.
- c. In total it took 24 years.

- d. We started in 1271.
- e. We sailed to the Middle East and then travelled to China.
- f. When we returned I became a merchant.