

VERB TENSES PRACTICE

One Friday evening, John drove to Derby to stay with some friends. It _____ (take) him three hours _____ (reach) the city, and then he had to find his friend's new flat. Fortunately, he had a map which his friends _____ (give) him and he arrived at the block of flats at half past eleven. After _____ (park) his car, he went inside the building and pressed the button _____ (call) the lift. To his annoyance, the lift _____ (be) out of order and he had to go up several flights of stairs. To make matters worse, flat number 24 was in darkness and no one answered the door when he _____ (knock). John pushed the door and was able to open it but he _____ (not-find) his friends in the flat. He thought the _____ (go) to a take away restaurant to get some food, so he sat down in an armchair to wait for his friends. While he _____ (sit) there, he could hear a distant music and voices from the flat next door. Suddenly the lights came on and John could see an elderly couple he didn't know. They both looked horrified. "Don't be afraid," said John immediately, "I'm sure I _____ (make) a mistake. This isn't flat 24, is it?"