

OUR TRIP 'DOWN UNDER'

Put the verbs in the brackets into Past Simple (all verbs are regular)

My mum _____ (love) Australia. She _____ (adore) anything connected to Australia. Kangaroos, koala bears, Uluru, sun, sea and surfing, she _____ (love) all that. She even _____ (support) the Aussie cricket team and we are British! She also _____ (like) to watch Australian soaps: 'Neighbours', 'Home and Away', 'the Young Doctors'. She _____ (dream) to go and visit the country and my dad _____ (agree). My sister Ginny and I were also ready to go: I must admit, I like Australia, too! We _____ (save) up for three years for our trip and finally, last summer, we _____ (travel). Luckily, that was before the coronavirus pandemic! We _____ (hurry) to Sydney and _____ (stop) in the town centre in a nice hotel. We _____ (stay) there for five days. We _____ (look) at the Opera



House of course, but we didn't go to an opera. We had a trip out to see Uluru. It was magnificent, a brilliant sight. We _____ (want) to see some of the wildlife, so we _____ (book) a trip to Edith Falls National Park. The scenery was wonderful and it was great to see koala bears! Finally, we _____ (visit) Northern Queensland and _____ (enjoy) some time at a fantastic beach. We didn't surf, but we _____ (jump) into the sea from the rock. It was brilliant. We _____ (notice) the people were very friendly; everyone _____ (greet) us with a 'G'day' and

the food was really delicious. My mum was so happy! Now, she wants to go and live there, but my dad says 'No!' - well, at least for the time being!

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Say if the following sentences are TRUE or FALSE:

1. Lucy's mum hates Australia and things to do with Australia.
2. Lucy and her family are British.
3. Lucy and her sister Ginny didn't want to go to Australia.
4. They were in Australia before the pandemic.
5. They visited an opera.
6. They were in a national park and saw some koala bears.
7. When they were at the beach, they went surfing.
8. They all think that the Australians were very friendly.

Write about your trip you liked most of all (5-8 sentences). Use Past Simple.

