

## Look at these examples of the future in the past in sentences a-g. Which one expresses...?

1. a prediction:
2. an arrangement:
3. an obligation:
4. a promise:
5. an excuse:
6. a personal conviction:
7. an intention:

  

- a. I was visiting the client tomorrow, but they've just had to postpone the appointment.
- b. She assured us that she'd have the figures by the end of November.
- c. We brought in a new CEO thinking that she would be able to change the company culture.
- d. I was going to send it to you, but I forgot. Sorry.
- e. I always knew he would do well in the company.
- f. I was going to phone you this week, but I heard you were out of the office.
- g. They were supposed to get back to me by Monday, but it's Wednesday and I still haven't heard from them.



## Use Joanna's 'to do' list to make sentences using the future in the past.

1. finish working on Kelner case (too busy)
2. meeting: Sue, her office, 10.00 a.m. (she was off sick)
3. meeting + lunch, Hungarian rep, 12.30 p.m. (his plane was delayed, didn't arrive till 3.00 p.m.)
4. file corporate credit card expenses (couldn't find receipts)
5. book flights for Atlanta conference (website kept crashing)
6. meet Sarah at Café Carlucci for after-work drink (closed, went to Spangio's instead)
7. check bank account - salary will go in today (I was wrong - will have to wait until tomorrow)

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