8A GRAMMAR past simple: regular and irregular verbs

Complete the conversation with the past tense of the verb in brackets.

• A NEW LIFE •

Inspector OK, Mr Thomas. Please just relax and tell me the problem.

Mr Thomas It's my wife. She [1]*went* (go) out yesterday evening. And she [2]_____ (not come) back.

Inspector When [3]_____ (you / see) your wife for the last time?

Mr Thomas Yesterday evening, at about nine thirty.

Inspector Tell me what happened yesterday. [4]_____ (you / do) anything unusual?

Mr Thomas No, it [5]_____ (be) just a normal day. We [6]_____ (wake up) at seven. I [7]_____ (have) breakfast. Then I [8]_____ (drive) to work. My wife [9]_____ (not have) breakfast. In the morning, I think she [10]_____ (go) shopping. She [11]_____ (come) home at lunchtime. I don't know what she [12]_____ (do) in the afternoon. She probably [13]_____ (make) dinner.

Inspector When [14]_____ (you / come) home?

Mr Thomas I [15]_____ (arrive) home at about seven thirty. I [16]_____ (sit) down and [17]_____ (read) the newspaper, and [18]_____ (check) my emails. We [19]_____ (have) dinner at about eight. After dinner, I [20]_____ (watch) TV. I [21]_____ (go to sleep) in my chair.

Inspector [22]_____ (you / speak) to your wife at all? What [23]_____ (she / say) to you?

Mr Thomas We [24]_____ (not talk) during dinner. After dinner, she [25]_____ (say), 'This isn't a life. I need to go out.' She [26]_____ (call) a taxi. I [27]_____ (hear) the taxi about 15 minutes later. She [28]_____ (take) her bag and her coat and [29]_____ (close) the door. She [30]_____ (not say) goodbye.

Inspector I see, Sir. I think I know why she [31]_____ (leave).

ACTIVATION

Read the conversation again. Then cover it. Can you remember five things that Mr and Mrs Thomas did yesterday?

LIVEWORKSHEETS