

## GRAMMAR past simple: irregular verbs

a Complete the blog with the past simple form of the verbs in brackets.



### A MEMORABLE NEW YEAR'S EVE



This happened to me a couple of years ago. Some university friends and I wanted to celebrate New Year's Eve at the famous street party in Edinburgh. We <sup>1</sup>*knew* (know) it <sup>2</sup>\_\_\_\_\_ (be) difficult to get tickets for the party, but we <sup>3</sup>\_\_\_\_\_ (be) really lucky and <sup>4</sup>\_\_\_\_\_ (buy) some online six months before. On 31st December, we <sup>5</sup>\_\_\_\_\_ (get) a fast train from London.

We arrived in Edinburgh at 6.00 p.m. and walked from the station to our hotel. We relaxed, <sup>6</sup>\_\_\_\_\_ (have) dinner, and then <sup>7</sup>\_\_\_\_\_ (get) ready to go out. We <sup>8</sup>\_\_\_\_\_ (wear) warm clothes, because it <sup>9</sup>\_\_\_\_\_ (be) really cold. We <sup>10</sup>\_\_\_\_\_ (get) to the city centre at about 9.30 p.m. It <sup>11</sup>\_\_\_\_\_ (be) wet and quite windy. We <sup>12</sup>\_\_\_\_\_ (go) into the first warm bar we <sup>13</sup>\_\_\_\_\_ (find) and <sup>14</sup>\_\_\_\_\_ (drink) some whisky. At about 10.30 p.m., we <sup>15</sup>\_\_\_\_\_ (put on) our warm coats again and <sup>16</sup>\_\_\_\_\_ (go) back outside. The streets <sup>17</sup>\_\_\_\_\_ (be) nearly empty! Some people <sup>18</sup>\_\_\_\_\_ (say) 'The street party is cancelled because of the terrible weather.' We <sup>19</sup>\_\_\_\_\_ (not can) believe it! The weather <sup>20</sup>\_\_\_\_\_ (not be) good, but it <sup>21</sup>\_\_\_\_\_ (feel) like a normal winter night in Scotland.

In the end, we <sup>22</sup>\_\_\_\_\_ (get) a taxi back to our hotel and <sup>23</sup>\_\_\_\_\_ (spend) midnight in our rooms! We <sup>24</sup>\_\_\_\_\_ (not have) a very happy New Year's Eve!



b Complete these questions about the blog.

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| 1 Where <u>did they buy</u> tickets for the party? | They bought tickets for the party online.  |
| 2 Why _____ warm clothes?                          | Because it was really cold.                |
| 3 What time _____ to the city centre?              | They got there at about 9.30 p.m.          |
| 4 What _____ the weather like?                     | It was wet and quite windy.                |
| 5 What _____ in the bar?                           | They drank some whisky.                    |
| 6 What _____ at 10.30 p.m.?                        | They put on their coats and went outside.  |
| 7 What _____ to them?                              | They said 'The street party is cancelled.' |
| 8 _____ a bus back to their hotel?                 | No, they didn't. They got a taxi.          |
| 9 Where _____ midnight?                            | They spent midnight in their rooms.        |
| 10 _____ a good time?                              | No, they didn't.                           |

