

Ex.1. Complete the story with the past simple form of the verbs in brackets.

Rob Jones worked (work) at a post office. Every day he _____ (drive) from the post office to the bank with a bag full of money. Two men on motorbikes _____ (know) about Rob. They _____ (want) the money from the post office. The two men _____ (watch) Rob for a week. Then, on Friday morning, they _____ (wait) for him on their motorbikes. When they _____ (see) Rob's car, they _____ (follow) him. Rob _____ (be) frightened, so he _____ (stop) the car. The men _____ (open) the door and they _____ (take) the bag next to Rob. Then they _____ (leave) on their motorbikes. The two men _____ (have) a big surprise when they _____ (look) inside the bag at home. It _____ (not be) full of money; it _____ (be) a first aid kit!

Ex.2. Put the verbs in Past Simple tense.

Do you want fries with that?

Ten years before KFC sold its first chicken dinner, the first McDonald's restaurant _____ (open) in California. Dick and Maurice McDonald _____ (sell) burgers for 15 cents and milk shakes for 20 cents. People _____ (not have) much time for lunch so they _____ (not want) to wait long for their meal. At the first McDonald's, customers _____ (can) get their food in 15 seconds! This _____ (be) the beginning of cheap fast food.

In 1955 a man called Ray Kroc _____ (become) an agent for McDonald's and _____ (start) opening restaurants in other states. The McDonald brothers _____ (not be) very ambitious and so Ray Kroc _____ (buy) the company for \$2.7 million in 1961. In the sixties he ' _____ (open) over 1,000 new restaurants and now there are more than 25,000 McDonald's in over 120 countries.

