

Name \_\_\_\_\_ Class \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

### 1 Complete the sentences with the simple past or past perfect form of the verbs in parentheses.

- The crowd \_\_\_\_\_ (decide) to leave after the band \_\_\_\_\_ (play) two encores.
- The supporting act said they \_\_\_\_\_ (be) very happy to be invited and that they \_\_\_\_\_ (practice) all their songs every day.
- We \_\_\_\_\_ (choose) that campsite because we \_\_\_\_\_ (stay) there the two previous summers.
- Everyone said they \_\_\_\_\_ (love) the party even though we \_\_\_\_\_ (not put up) many decorations.
- She \_\_\_\_\_ (not arrive) at the parade on time because she \_\_\_\_\_ (not finish) making her costume by the time it started.

### 2 Complete the text with the correct form of the verbs in the box.

ask be not realize not want  
plan rain tell travel

Thousands of people said they <sup>1</sup> \_\_\_\_\_ angry when the Summer Nights Music Festival was canceled due to extreme weather conditions. The concert was planned to start on Saturday but it <sup>2</sup> \_\_\_\_\_ heavily for the previous three days and the venue was flooded. Some people <sup>3</sup> \_\_\_\_\_ to the festival site the night before and were waiting for the gates to open when the organizers <sup>4</sup> \_\_\_\_\_ them it was canceled. Many people said they <sup>5</sup> \_\_\_\_\_ for their money back. Members of the bands who <sup>6</sup> \_\_\_\_\_ to perform were also upset, including the headlining band, The Dreaded Locks, who said they <sup>7</sup> \_\_\_\_\_ the weather in Florida could be so bad in summer and that they <sup>8</sup> \_\_\_\_\_ to play there again!

### 3 Read the interview with a singer. Rewrite it as a newspaper article using reported speech.



- INTERVIEWER** So, Ted, what made you decide to become a singer?
- TED** When I was a kid, I always sang at parties. Then my parents decided to send me to a performing arts school, which I still visit regularly.
- INTERVIEWER** Wow! Then you were discovered on *America's Stars*.
- TED** Yes, and I've always been very thankful for that because I didn't have a job at that time.
- INTERVIEWER** That's great. Where are you planning to play your next concert?
- TED** I haven't decided yet.
- INTERVIEWER** Are you writing any new songs at the moment?
- TED** Actually, it's a secret!

*I interviewed Ted Keeran last week after his gig at the Happy Days Festival.*

- First I asked him about his childhood and he told me \_\_\_\_\_
- Then he said his parents \_\_\_\_\_ which \_\_\_\_\_
- He was discovered on *America's Stars* and told me he \_\_\_\_\_
- I asked him about his plans for his next concert, but he told me \_\_\_\_\_. Then I asked him about new songs and he told me \_\_\_\_\_

### 4 In your notebook, write an interview with your favorite singer or band as a newspaper article using reported speech.

*Last week I interviewed ... about ...  
He / She / They told me ...*