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1 Complete the sentences with the past perfect form of the verbs in the box.

blow finish make meet not see sell

- The festival crowd had made a big mess so we cleaned it up.
- When I arrived at the concert, the headliner had finished playing.
- The food stalls had sold all their food when I got there so I was very hungry.
- My dog hadn't seen fireworks before and he was really scared.
- When we got back to our tent that night, we found the wind had blown it down.
- I was amazed that you knew the band members' names: had you met them before?

2 Correct the underlined mistakes in the sentences.



- The singer told me he hasn't played at that venue before. hadn't played
- We told our friends we went to buy some food for the party as they were arriving. were going
- He told me he saw the band play before. had seen
- The opening act said they practiced for three weeks before playing at that concert. had practiced
- The festival organizer said that year the festival isn't happening. wasn't happening
- The DJ said he always had played that track at every party and everybody liked it. played

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, ¹I always sang at parties for my friends. Then ²my parents sent me to a performing arts school.

INTERVIEWER Wow! Then you were discovered on *America's Stars*.

TED Yes, and ³I've always been very thankful for that. ⁴I didn't have a job at that time.

INTERVIEWER That's great. Where are you planning to play your next concert?

TED ⁵I haven't decided. Actually, ⁶it's a secret!

I interviewed Ted Keeran last week after his gig at the Happy Days Festival. He told me that ...

- he had always sung at parties for his friends.
- his parents had sent him to a performing arts school.
- he was discovered on *America's Stars* and he had always been very thankful for that.
- interestingly, he didn't have a job at that time.
- he hadn't decided the location of his next concert.
- the location was a secret.

4 Complete the text with the correct form of the verbs in parentheses.

Thousands of people were angry when the Summer Nights Music Festival was canceled due to extreme weather conditions. The concert was planned to start on Saturday, but it ¹ had rained (rain) heavily for the previous three days and the venue was flooded. Some people ² had traveled (travel) to the festival site and were waiting for the gates to open when the organizers ³ told (tell) them it was canceled. Many people said they ⁴ were going to ask (ask) for their money back. Members of the bands who ⁵ had planned (plan) to perform were also upset. The headlining band, The Dreaded Locks, said they ⁶ hadn't realized (not realize) the weather in Florida could be so bad in summer!