



## Exercise 13

### Past Tense

Name \_\_\_\_\_

Date \_\_\_\_\_

Fill in the spaces with the correct form of the verb in simple past tense.

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**Note:** In this exercise, adverbs, like still, already, usually, frequently, slowly, quickly and others—are used in simple past tense verbs. An adverb tells us something more about the action of the verb. It is said to "modify" the verb.

**Example:** Savannah (quickly, swim) quickly swam the first two laps of the race.

- 1) Jared (frequently, drive) \_\_\_\_\_ his father's truck to work last summer.
- 2) Mr. and Mrs. Porter (usually, stay) \_\_\_\_\_ at Cape Hatteras for the season.
- 3) Susan (already, play) \_\_\_\_\_ the flute well before she began to play the piccolo.
- 4) The sun (slowly, drop) \_\_\_\_\_ below the horizon as we watched.
- 5) The principal (kindly, speak) \_\_\_\_\_ to the crying child.
- 6) The children (normally, wait) \_\_\_\_\_ for the bus on the corner of Walnut and Elm Streets.
- 7) The old house (still, look) \_\_\_\_\_ just as it had when he last visited.
- 8) The artist (quickly, draw) \_\_\_\_\_ a cartoon as the crowd watched.
- 9) Mrs. Campos (patiently, wait) \_\_\_\_\_ for the nurse to call her into the examining room.
- 10) The passengers (happily, cheer) \_\_\_\_\_ as their hot air balloon lifted from the ground.

