**Complete the sentences between Past Simple, Past Continuous and Past Perfect**

It was Sunday afternoon. I \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ (watch) a cookery program on TV when I \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ (realise) how hungry I was. But of course I was hungry; I \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ (eat) anything since lunch, and I \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ (run) a race in the morning. “Biscuits!” I \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ (think). My mother \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ (give) me a jar of delicious home-made biscuits.

I \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ (go) into the kitchen, \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ (open) the fridge and \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ (pour) some milk in a big glass. Then I \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ (look) for the kitchen chair but it \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ (be) there: somebody \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_(take) it away. And there were no biscuits in the biscuit jar: somebody \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ (eat) them all! I was sure I \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ (put) the jar there the previous day, and I \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ (eat) only one cookie. It was very strange.

A few minutes later, I \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ (drink) my glass of milk when I \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ (hear) a loud noise coming from the dining room. I \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ (go) there quickly and I \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ (open) the door. I couldn’t believe my eyes. An enormous monkey \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ (eat) the biscuits excitedly on the kitchen chair.

**Complete the sentences between Past Simple, Past Continuous and Past Perfect**

This story is based on true events that \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ (happen) many, many years ago in Scotland. One day, Mr Clark \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ (walk) home with a smile on his face. He \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ (carry) something very valuable in his hand: tickets for a long, long journey.

After many years working and saving, Mr Clark \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ (save) all the money he needed to take all his family to the United States. Earlier that afternoon he \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ (buy) all the tickets that now he \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ (hold) in his hand. It was the opportunity of their lives. “The United States of America,” he repeated aloud just to see how nice it \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ (sound) in his ears.

A few days before their departure, Mr Clark’s son \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ (play) in the street when a dog \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ (bite) him. The doctor \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ (go) to their home and \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ (treat) the child’s wound. Then he \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ (hang) a yellow sheet on their front door. That yellow sheet meant that they \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ (just/be) quarantined. They \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ (have) to stay at home for two weeks because of the possibility of rabies.

Five days later, Mr Clark was at the docks. He \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ (leave) the house and now he \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ (watch) their ship leave to the United States without him or his family. When the ship \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ (disappear) in the horizon, he \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ (stand up) and \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ (go) back home, crying.

A few days later, the tragic news spread throughout Scotland – the mighty Titanic \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ (sink) taking hundreds of lives with it.

**Choose the correct answer.**

1. I heard a knock at the front door so I (went / was going) to answer it.

2. At this time yesterday, I (wrote / was writing) an essay.

3. The football season (began / was beginning) a month ago.

4. She (had graduated / graduated) from school in 2001.

5. We entered the house quietly because everyone (was sleeping / had slept).

6. By the time we (got / had got) to the cinema, the film had already started.

7. The children (were playing / played) in the garden while their parents were watching them.

8. They (had left / left) many hours before we arrived.

**Complete the sentences with the correct form of the verbs in brackets. Use the Past Simple, Past Continuous or Past Perfect Simple.**

They \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ (get) to the airport as the plane was landing.

She wore the shoes she \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ (buy) the previous day.

I fell as I \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ (run) for the bus.

What \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ she \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ (say) when he asked her to marry him?

When I was a student, I \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ (not have) much money.

Why \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ she still \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ (work) at one o’clock in the morning?

I was happy to see her, because we \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ (not see) each other for years.

By the time we got to the shop, a long queue \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ already \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ (form) outside.

**Choose the sentence which is closer in meaning to the original.**

I had already seen the film but I decided to watch it again last night.

a. I watched the film last night for the first time.

b. Last night wasn’t the first time that I had seen the film.

The boys were playing football while it was raining.

a. The boys were playing football until it started to rain.

b. The boys played football in the rain.

I was writing an e-mail when our computer broke down.

a. Our computer broke down before I wrote an e-mail.

b. I had started writing an e-mail and then our computer broke down.

My aunt bought me a lovely gift after she had spent the summer holiday with us.

a. When the summer holiday was over, my aunt bought me a lovely gift.

b. While my aunt was spending the summer holiday with us, she bought us a lovely gift.

**Complete the passage with the correct form of the verbs in brackets.**

Until a few years ago, no one \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ (hear) of Harry Potter, the young wizard and hero of the children’s book Harry Potter and the Philosopher’s Stone. The writer, J K Rowling, \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ (already / write) several stories and books, but this was the first book that was published. She \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ (get) the idea for the story of a wizard at magic school while she \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ (travel) on a train to London. By the time the train \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ (reach)King’s Cross station, she \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ (invent) most of the characters. When the book was published in 1997, no one \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ (imagine) it would be such a tremendous success, but it quickly \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ (become) a bestseller. While millions of young readers in many countries \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ (enjoy) her first Harry Potter book, J K Rowling \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ (think) of ideas for the next book in this incredibly popular series.

**Daniel is telling the story of how he forgot his passport. Put the verbs into the correct form.**

\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ (it / happen) last August at the airport. A few weeks before, a group of us \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ (decide) to go to Greece together for a holiday. \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ (we / wait) in the queue at passport control when suddenly \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ (I / realize) \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ (I / forget) my passport. \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ (it / be) quite a shock. \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ (I / hurry) to a phone and \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ (ring) my parents. \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ (they / work) in the garden, but luckily my mother \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ (hear) the phone\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ (they / find) the passport and immediately \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ (drive) to the airport with it. \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ (I / meet) them at the information desk. \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ (we / have) no time to talk,but \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ (I / say) goodbye to them earlier that morning. \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ (I / run) all the way to the plane. I was just in time. When \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ (I / get) there, the passengers \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ (sit)in their seats ready for take-off. When \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ (they / see) me, everyone \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ (start) clapping.

**Complete the sentences using Past Simple, Past Continuous or Past Perfect**

Tom! Yesterday something incredible \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ (happen), I want to tell you the whole story. Yesterday my family and I \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ (meet) with my teacher. The idea was to talk about my future but it was a mess. While we \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ (get) ready to leave, a skunk \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ (enter) in the house. My sisters \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ (start) shouting and throwing stuff, I \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ (try) to get the broom to make her leave, but my mom \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ (use) it before, so I \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ (have) no idea where it was. Finally, my dad \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ (be able to) kick the skunk out. The bad part is that we all \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ (need) to take a shower. While my sister \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ (take) the shower a bunch of raccoons \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ (appear) out of nowhere and they \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ (start) to steal food. They couldn’t steal much food because we \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ (store) a lot of it that same morning. By the time the raccoons \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ (finish) stealing, my family \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ (already/finish) showering, it \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ (be) my turn to shower. But suddenly out of nowhere, the shower \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ (break) so I couldn’t shower. To solve the problem, I put a lot of cologne on and we finally \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ (leave). By the time we \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ (get) to school my teacher \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ (wait) for two hours. We \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ (be) really embarrassed. At that moment, we \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ (talk) about my future and suddenly my teacher \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ (pass out). It \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ (be) one of the worst days I’ve ever had.

**Complete the sentences between Past Simple, Past Continuous and Past Perfect**

I \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ (arrive) at the airport when I \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ (realise), I had forgotten my passport.

We couldn't snowboard because it \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ (not/snow) enough. We went too early in the season.

While she \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ (do) the English exercises, he \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ (make) dinner.

I didn't like the dress she \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ (wear) yesterday.

The children \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ (play) in the garden while I \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ (make) dinner.

Lunch was delicious because I \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ (not/eat) anything for breakfast.

We \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ (eat) dinner when the doorbell \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ (ring)

I \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ (recognise) her immediately even though I \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ (not/see) her for 20 years

The dog \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ (lie) on the sofa, when I \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ (get) home.

I \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ (not/know) my husband before we \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ (meet) at a party.

They \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ (spend) all their money before the holiday was finished.

I \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ (close) the door and realised I \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ (forget) my bag.

She \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ (not/arrive) on time.

He hurt his leg when he \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ (play) football.

When the men \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ (deliver) the T.V., I \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ (pay) for it.

When we arrived, the film \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ (start). We were late.

After she \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ (eat) her lunch, she \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ (leave) the restaurant.

She \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ (not/know) the answers to all the exercises.

In 1450, they \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ (not/have) phones, cars or the internet.

He \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ (wait) at the station, when she \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ (arrive)

When we \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ (turn on) on the T.V., the match \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ (finish)

Yesterday, she \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ (go) to the post-office.

It took a long time but after I \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ (save) enough money, I \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ (buy) a car.

The plane \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ at 10p.m. Right on time! (take off)

I \_\_\_\_\_\_ dinner when I got home. (make)

What time \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ this morning? (get up)

She didn't pass the English exam even though she \_\_\_\_\_\_ every evening. (study)

They \_\_\_\_\_\_ busy yesterday. They \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ much work to do. (not/be) (not/have)

France \_\_\_\_\_ the football World Cup in 2019. (win)

Luckily, the rain \_\_\_\_\_\_ after we \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ home. (arrive) (start)

The tennis match was postponed because it \_\_\_\_\_ too hard the night before. (rain)

We couldn't get a table at the restaurant because we \_\_\_\_\_\_. (not/book)

The thieves \_\_\_\_\_\_\_ a quiet time. The street \_\_\_\_\_ quiet. (choose) (be)

After she \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ the police officers, she \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ much better. (tell) (feel)

He \_\_\_\_\_\_\_ the party because he \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ a good time. (leave) (not/have)

By the time, the waiter \_\_\_\_\_ our drinks, we \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ our food! (bring) (finish)

I \_\_\_\_\_\_\_ the phone because \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ in the garden. (not/hear) (work)

He was hit by a car when he \_\_\_\_\_ to school. (cycle)

I \_\_\_\_\_\_\_ the man as I \_\_\_\_\_\_\_ the road. (see) (cross)

I \_\_\_\_\_\_\_ a job until I \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ university.(not/get) (leave)

**Complete the sentences using Past Simple, Past Continuous, Past Perfect**

One afternoon, a big wolf (wait) \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ in a dark forest for a little girl to come along carrying a basket of food to her grandmother. Finally, a little girl did come along and she (carry) \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ a basket of food. 'Are you carrying that basket to your grandmother?' asked the wolf. The little girl said yes, she (be) \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_. So the wolf (ask) \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ her where her grandmother lived and the little girl (tell) \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ him and he (disappear) \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ into the wood.

When the little girl (open) \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ the door of her grandmother's house, she (see) \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ that there was somebody in bed with a nightcap and nightgown on. She (approach) \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ no nearer than twenty-five feet from the bed when she (see) \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ that it was not her  grandmother but the wolf , for even in a nightcap a wolf does not look like anybody's grandmother. So the little girl (take) \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ an automatic pistol out of her basket and (shoot) \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ the wolf dead.