

1 A detective (D) is interviewing a bank robber (BR). Complete the dialogue with the correct form of *was* or *were*.

- D Mr James. Where <sup>1</sup>\_\_\_\_\_ you last Thursday?  
 BR What time last Thursday?  
 D Where <sup>2</sup>\_\_\_\_\_ you at eleven o'clock last Thursday?  
 BR I <sup>3</sup>\_\_\_\_\_ at home.  
 D No, you <sup>4</sup>\_\_\_\_\_. You <sup>5</sup>\_\_\_\_\_ in Smith Street.  
 BR No, I <sup>6</sup>\_\_\_\_\_. I <sup>7</sup>\_\_\_\_\_ at home.  
 D <sup>8</sup>\_\_\_\_\_ there anybody at home with you?  
 BR Yes, my mum and dad <sup>9</sup>\_\_\_\_\_ with me.  
 D I don't believe you. Your parents <sup>10</sup>\_\_\_\_\_ with you!  
 BR Yes, they <sup>11</sup>\_\_\_\_\_. Then we went to the bank in Smith Street ... Oops!

2 Look at the information. Then write past simple sentences. Use *ago*, *last* or *yesterday*.

my dad / buy / new car / Wednesday (It is now Saturday.)

My dad bought a new car three days ago.

- 1 we / not do / our homework / Thursday evening (It is now Friday evening.)  
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 2 I / go to / Fred's party (It is now a week later.)  
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 3 I / be born / 2003 (It is now thirteen years later.)  
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 4 they / arrive / in Spain (It is now a month later.)  
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 5 there / not be / a cinema here / in February (It is now July.)  
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3 Complete the text with the past simple form of the verbs in the boxes.

be go meet not sleep stay swim take

Last year Jack <sup>1</sup>\_\_\_\_\_ camping in France with his family. They <sup>2</sup>\_\_\_\_\_ a tent with them, but they <sup>3</sup>\_\_\_\_\_ in the tent every night. They sometimes <sup>4</sup>\_\_\_\_\_ in a hotel and Jack <sup>5</sup>\_\_\_\_\_ in the pool. There <sup>6</sup>\_\_\_\_\_ usually lots of people on the campsite and he <sup>7</sup>\_\_\_\_\_ some really interesting people.

buy eat finish like speak not want

He <sup>8</sup>\_\_\_\_\_ excellent food in some local cafés. He really <sup>9</sup>\_\_\_\_\_ the cheese and the bread of the region. He <sup>10</sup>\_\_\_\_\_ some presents for his friends in the market and <sup>11</sup>\_\_\_\_\_ to them on his mobile every day. But when the holiday <sup>12</sup>\_\_\_\_\_, he <sup>13</sup>\_\_\_\_\_ to come home.

4 Use the words to write sentences or questions in the past simple.

- 1 Where / you go / on holiday last August?  
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 2 be / a lot of people in the park  
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 3 you like / the new *James Bond* film?  
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 4 not be / any problems last time  
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 5 she / not play / tennis last Monday  
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 6 I watch / the football match / two weeks ago  
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