

## English Grammar Exercise

### Past Simple: Regular and Irregular verbs

Complete the sentences with the Past Simple of the verbs in brackets.

1. Jane \_\_\_\_\_ (not/visit) her grandmother yesterday. She \_\_\_\_\_ (decide) to go shopping instead.
2. \_\_\_\_\_ (you/see) that big accident outside the National Bank? \_\_\_\_\_ (there be) many people waiting to catch a glimpse of the injured.
3. My mother \_\_\_\_\_ (make) my favourite dish for dinner. I just love beef stew. Don't you?
4. We \_\_\_\_\_ (interrupt) our teacher when we \_\_\_\_\_ (see) a big spider slowly descending from the ceiling.
5. \_\_\_\_\_ (your sister/win) the spelling contest last week? She \_\_\_\_\_ (be) the best one there.
6. I \_\_\_\_\_ (forget) to purchase Susan's gift. Sorry!
7. George \_\_\_\_\_ (sell) some of his gold coins in order to buy a new car.
8. The children \_\_\_\_\_ (sing) many carols at our Christmas party.
9. I \_\_\_\_\_ (read) all of J.K. Rowling's novels. I find her writing fascinating.
10. Jack and Steven \_\_\_\_\_ (go) fishing and \_\_\_\_\_ (catch) a big swordfish.
11. \_\_\_\_\_ (Sheila/give) you her telephone number? I need to talk to her urgently.
12. When I \_\_\_\_\_ (be) young, I \_\_\_\_\_ (attend) an all girls' school. I \_\_\_\_\_ (have) lots of fun there.
13. Our dog \_\_\_\_\_ (become) ill and so we \_\_\_\_\_ (have) to take him to the vet.
14. We \_\_\_\_\_ (not/see) you at Keith's birthday party. \_\_\_\_\_ (you/not/be) invited?
15. The thief \_\_\_\_\_ (threaten) all the people he \_\_\_\_\_ (get) his hands on.
16. I'm a very good skater but I \_\_\_\_\_ (fall) while I was practicing yesterday.
17. My parents \_\_\_\_\_ (drive) me and my friends to the cinema.
18. Sarah's boyfriend \_\_\_\_\_ (give) her a lovely bouquet of roses.
19. My grandmother \_\_\_\_\_ (tell) me a story about a princess that \_\_\_\_\_ (live) in a castle with a wicked witch.
20. I \_\_\_\_\_ (hear) you \_\_\_\_\_ (win) the state lottery, is it true?
21. I \_\_\_\_\_ (not/sleep) last night. I \_\_\_\_\_ (drink) some coffee and \_\_\_\_\_ (not/can) sleep afterwards.
22. \_\_\_\_\_ (Henry/write) to you while he \_\_\_\_\_ (be) on holiday?
23. Sam and his mother \_\_\_\_\_ (begin) decorating their house for Christmas. They have great taste!
24. \_\_\_\_\_ (the postman/ring) your door bell? He \_\_\_\_\_ (have) a package for your father.
25. My cat \_\_\_\_\_ (climb) up the tree and then \_\_\_\_\_ (not/can) get down. We \_\_\_\_\_ (call) the firefighters and they \_\_\_\_\_ (come) as soon as they \_\_\_\_\_ (can).
26. \_\_\_\_\_ (you/help) Susan with her essay? She \_\_\_\_\_ (write) a marvelous essay. It even \_\_\_\_\_ (receive) a prize.
27. We \_\_\_\_\_ (not/understand) the school assignment and so we \_\_\_\_\_ (ask) the teacher to explain it again.
28. Jim \_\_\_\_\_ (lend) me his fountain pen.
29. Ouch! I \_\_\_\_\_ (bite) my lip.