

5 Complete the sentences with the correct past simple, past continuous or past perfect form of the verbs in brackets.

- 1 We _____ (move) house a lot while I _____ (grow up).
- 2 After Joe _____ (learn) to drive, he _____ (buy) a car.
- 3 George _____ (leave) school, _____ (go) to university and _____ (study) engineering.
- 4 Where _____ you _____ (live) when you _____ (get) your first job?
- 5 My parents _____ (get) engaged in 1990. They _____ (fall) in love two years before, while they _____ (work) in London.
- 6 Kim _____ (want) a change of career so she _____ (emigrate) to Australia.

6 Complete the text with the past simple, past continuous or past perfect form of the verbs below.

be be become die get leave live
meet not stop retire say work write

Japan is the country with the most centenarians: over 50,000. It is also where Jiroemon Kimura, the man with the longest lifespan ever, ¹ _____ born in 1897, the year that Bram Stoker ² _____ *Dracula*. Kimura ³ _____ school at fourteen and ⁴ _____ a job in a post office. While he ⁵ _____ there, he ⁶ _____ his future wife Yae. He ⁷ _____ a postal worker for 45 years when he ⁸ _____ in 1962. But he ⁹ _____ working! He ¹⁰ _____ a farmer! In an interview just before he ¹¹ _____ at the age of 116, he said he wasn't sure why he ¹² _____ so long. 'Maybe it's thanks to the sun,' he ¹³ _____. 'I'm always looking up to the sky!'



Past tense contrast

I can talk about the past using a variety of past tenses.

- 1 Complete the table with the *-ing* form, past simple and past participle form of the verbs.

Base form	<i>-ing</i> form	Past simple	Past participle
1 marry			
2 fight			
3 die			
4 meet			
5 retire			
6 think			
7 stop			
8 ride			
9 fall			
10 learn			

- 2 Circle the correct answers.

- My parents **bought** / **were buying** a house just after they got married.
 - John **had got engaged** / **was getting engaged** before he left university.
 - Liam inherited a lot of money and **was emigrating** / **emigrated** to Australia.
 - Did Pam phone** / **Had Pam phoned** while you **watched** / **were watching** television?
 - I opened the door and **stepped** / **had stepped** outside. It **rained** / **was raining**.
 - I didn't know where you were because you **weren't phoning** / **didn't phone**.
 - I **had** / **'d had** this watch for two years when the battery ran out.
- 3 Some of the verb forms and tenses in the sentences are incorrect. Rewrite them correctly. Tick the correct sentences.
- Why **did you be** angry with Mary?
 - Had you eaten** before you **went** out?
 - I **couldn't go** out until I **had did** my homework.
 - It **wasn't rain** when we **left** the house.
 - I **wasn't feeling** well this morning.
 - We **was eating** when you **phoned**.
 - Where **had** you lunch?

- 4 Write the negative and interrogative form of the sentences.

- Jason had been to Italy.
Jason hadn't been to Italy.
Had Jason been to Italy?
- Tom grew up in London.

- Her parents split up last year.

- Harry was living in Scotland.

- Sally had eaten lunch.

- 5 Complete the sentences with the verbs below. Use the past simple, past continuous or past perfect.

go out leave not listen lose shine snow

- I couldn't pay for the pizzas because I _____ my money at home.
 - I put on my coat and _____.
 - You didn't understand the question because you _____.
 - When we woke up, everything was white because it _____ during the night.
 - I borrowed my brother's jacket because I _____ mine.
 - It was a really cold day, but the sun _____.
- 6 Complete the text with the verbs in brackets. Use the past simple, past continuous or past perfect.

When Sarah Knauss ¹ _____ (die) on 30 December 1999, she ² _____ (live) in Pennsylvania, USA, where she ³ _____ (spend) all her life. At the time of her death, only one person before her ⁴ _____ (live) longer. Sarah ⁵ _____ (have) one daughter, who ⁶ _____ still _____ (live) when Sarah died.

