

7C GRAMMAR past simple: irregular verbs

a Complete the blog with the past simple form of the verbs in brackets.



A MEMORABLE NEW YEAR'S EVE



This happened to me a couple of years ago. Some university friends and I wanted to celebrate New Year's Eve at the famous street party in Edinburgh. We ¹knew (know) it ²_____ (be) difficult to get tickets for the party, but we ³_____ (be) really lucky and ⁴_____ (buy) some online six months before. On 31st December, we ⁵_____ (get) a fast train from London.

We arrived in Edinburgh at 6.00 p.m. and walked from the station to our hotel. We relaxed, ⁶_____ (have) dinner, and then ⁷_____ (get) ready to go out. We ⁸_____ (wear) warm clothes, because it ⁹_____ (be) really cold. We ¹⁰_____ (get) to the city centre at about 9.30 p.m. It ¹¹_____ (be) wet and quite windy. We ¹²_____ (go) into the first warm café we ¹³_____ (find) and ¹⁴_____ (drink) some hot chocolate. At about 10.30 p.m., we ¹⁵_____ (put on) our warm coats again and ¹⁶_____ (go) back outside. The streets ¹⁷_____ (be) nearly empty! Some people ¹⁸_____ (say) 'The street party is cancelled because of the terrible weather.' We ¹⁹_____ (not can) believe it! The weather ²⁰_____ (not be) good, but it ²¹_____ (feel) like a normal winter night in Scotland.

In the end, we ²²_____ (get) a taxi back to our hotel and ²³_____ (spend) midnight in our rooms! We ²⁴_____ (not have) a very happy New Year's Eve!



b Complete these questions about the blog.

- 1 Where did they buy tickets for the party?
- 2 Why _____ warm clothes?
- 3 What time _____ to the city centre?
- 4 What _____ the weather like?
- 5 What _____ in the café?
- 6 What _____ at 10.30 p.m.?
- 7 What _____ to them?
- 8 _____ a bus back to their hotel?
- 9 Where _____ midnight?
- 10 _____ a good time?

They bought tickets for the party online.
Because it was really cold.
They got there at about 9.30 p.m.
It was wet and quite windy.
They drank some hot chocolate.
They put on their coats and went outside.
They said 'The street party is cancelled.'
No, they didn't. They got a taxi.
They spent midnight in their rooms.
No, they didn't.

ACTIVATION

Work with a partner. Cover the answers. Take turns to answer the questions. Then cover the questions and take turns to make the questions from the answers.

