

Past simple and past continuous

1 Choose the best answer (a, b or c) to fill each gap.

- My parents ____ the house that we live in now, which is why it's perfect.
 - were designing
 - weren't designing
 - designed
- I ____ to move house but my dad got a new job, so we had to move to a different town.
 - didn't wanted
 - didn't want
 - wasn't wanting
- We ____ the garden when you rang.
 - tidied up
 - weren't tidy up
 - were tidying up
- John ____ the ceiling when he fell off the ladder.
 - was painting
 - painted
 - were painting

2 Complete the text with the correct form of the verbs in the box.

choose | go (× 2) | move in | not invite
paint | redecorate | want

- A: So, where (1) _____ you _____ when I saw you yesterday?
- B: Jack (2) _____ to show me his new house, so I (3) _____ over to check it out. They (4) _____ about six months ago, but they (5) _____, which is why he (6) _____ people around. The downstairs is finished now so his mum (7) _____ one of the bedrooms yesterday. Jack's bedroom is huge. He (8) _____ the colours and furniture himself. Three walls are white and one is red. It's really cool!

Used to and would

3 Complete the sentences with the correct form of the verbs in brackets.

- How _____ to school before you had a bike? (**use to / get**)
- Nicola _____ the piano when she was younger. (**use to / play**)
- We _____ in a flat in the town centre but now we live on the edge of town. (**use to / live**)
- My brother and I _____ for hours in the garden in the summer. (**would / play**)
- I _____ living in the country but I've got used to it now. (**not use to / like**)
- There _____ this much traffic on the road. (**never use to / be**)

4 Find and correct the mistake in each sentence.

- Did he used to live near you? _____
- Mum not use to like living in a big city, but I think she enjoys it now. _____
- I would like eating breakfast outside, in the garden, in the summer. _____
- We used swim in the river at the bottom of the garden. _____
- Children used to never depend on technology to entertain them. _____

Unit round-up

5 Complete the text with the correct form of the verbs in the box. One verb can be used twice.

go | have | inspire | play | sleep
stand | stay | use to think | would play

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The Treehouse Hotel

Last month, we (1) _____ to England for a week. We (2) _____ in a treehouse called Treetops in Devon. It was amazing! It (3) _____ two bedrooms, a living room, kitchen and bathroom, all built in this one huge tree. I (4) _____ that treehouses were just for children to play in, but not anymore. My parents (5) _____ in one bedroom and my brother and I shared the other one.

One evening, while we (6) _____ board games, we heard noises on the balcony. It was two squirrels playing. On the last night, we (7) _____ on the balcony looking at the stars when lots of bats started flying around. We live in a flat in the city, so I never (8) _____ much about nature. I (9) _____ inside with my toys, or join my friends in the playground. That trip (10) _____ me, though. Now I want to spend more time in the countryside.