

1 Complete the sentences with the correct form of the past simple.

- They closed (close) the windows when it got cold.
- Jamila (want) to avoid the storm.
- you (play) in the snow on Sunday?
- I (not see) the forecast yesterday.
- Max always (carry) an umbrella when he lived in London.
- They (be) late last night because it was raining.
- Liz (give) me her gloves.

2 Underline the correct option.

- During the storm, our neighbour's fence *put out / blew away*.
- I love it at night when the stars *come out / clear up*.
- In California, a huge forest has *fallen down / burnt down* thanks to one cigarette.
- If the weather *comes out / clears up* later, we'll have a picnic.
- It took them five hours to *put out / blow away* the fire.
- The bridge *cleared up / fell down* and nobody can cross the river.

3 Think about when you were at primary school. Complete the sentences with *used to / didn't use to* so that they are true for you.

- It didn't use to snow a lot.
- I enjoy swimming in summer.
- I watch plenty of films when it rained.
- My country have more extreme weather than now.
- I watch the weather forecast.
- I be afraid of lightning and thunder.

4 Underline the correct words in each sentence.

- 👁 Did you hear the thunderstorm last night? Wow, I ¹ wake / woke up at 3 a.m. The rain was hitting my window ² louder / loudly and the lightning was illuminating the whole sky. I ³ am / was completely terrified. I got out of bed and I ⁴ felt / fell on my knee. Ouch! I watched the storm for about half an hour, then it ⁵ became / becamed calmer and the rain stopped. I ⁶ use to / used to enjoy storms when I was little, but now they scare me. My baby brother was scared too. He ⁷ throwed / threw his blanket off and ⁸ cry / cried.

5 Complete the sentences with the verbs below to make a contrast.

broke burned down ~~found~~ lives sold
was wrote

- She didn't lose it, she found it.
- They didn't buy the house, they it.
- You didn't fix my computer, you it.
- Claire didn't write several songs, she hundreds.
- It wasn't hot last August, it really cold.
- The building didn't fall down, it
- Karlo doesn't live in Paris, he in Rome.

6 Complete the email using present simple / continuous or past simple.

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Reply Forward

Hi, Sarah

I ¹ am writing (write) from my hotel here in Bermuda. They ² (announce) on the news last night there could be a small hurricane. Right now, we ³ (not be) in any great danger, but the hotel staff ⁴ (tell) us to be prepared for it. I ⁵ (pack) a special bag at the moment. I ⁶ (not bring) any clothes for a hurricane, but before breakfast this morning they ⁷ (give) everyone a special poncho. I should go now. It ⁸ (get) windy! See you soon.

1

- 1 *closed*
- 2 *wanted*
- 3 *Did you play*
- 4 *didn't see*
- 5 *carried*
- 6 *were*
- 7 *gave*

2

- 1 *blew away*
- 2 *come out*
- 3 *burnt down*
- 4 *clears up*
- 5 *put out*
- 6 *fell down*

3

Students' own answers.

4

- 1 *woke*
- 2 *loudly*
- 3 *was*
- 4 *fell*
- 5 *became*
- 6 *used to*
- 7 *threw*
- 8 *cried*

5

- 1 *found*
- 2 *sold*
- 3 *broke*
- 4 *wrote*
- 5 *was*
- 6 *burned down*
- 7 *lives*

6

- 1 *am writing*
- 2 *announced*
- 3 *'re/are not*
- 4 *told / are telling*
- 5 *'m/am packing*
- 6 *didn't bring*
- 7 *gave*
- 8 *'s/is getting*