

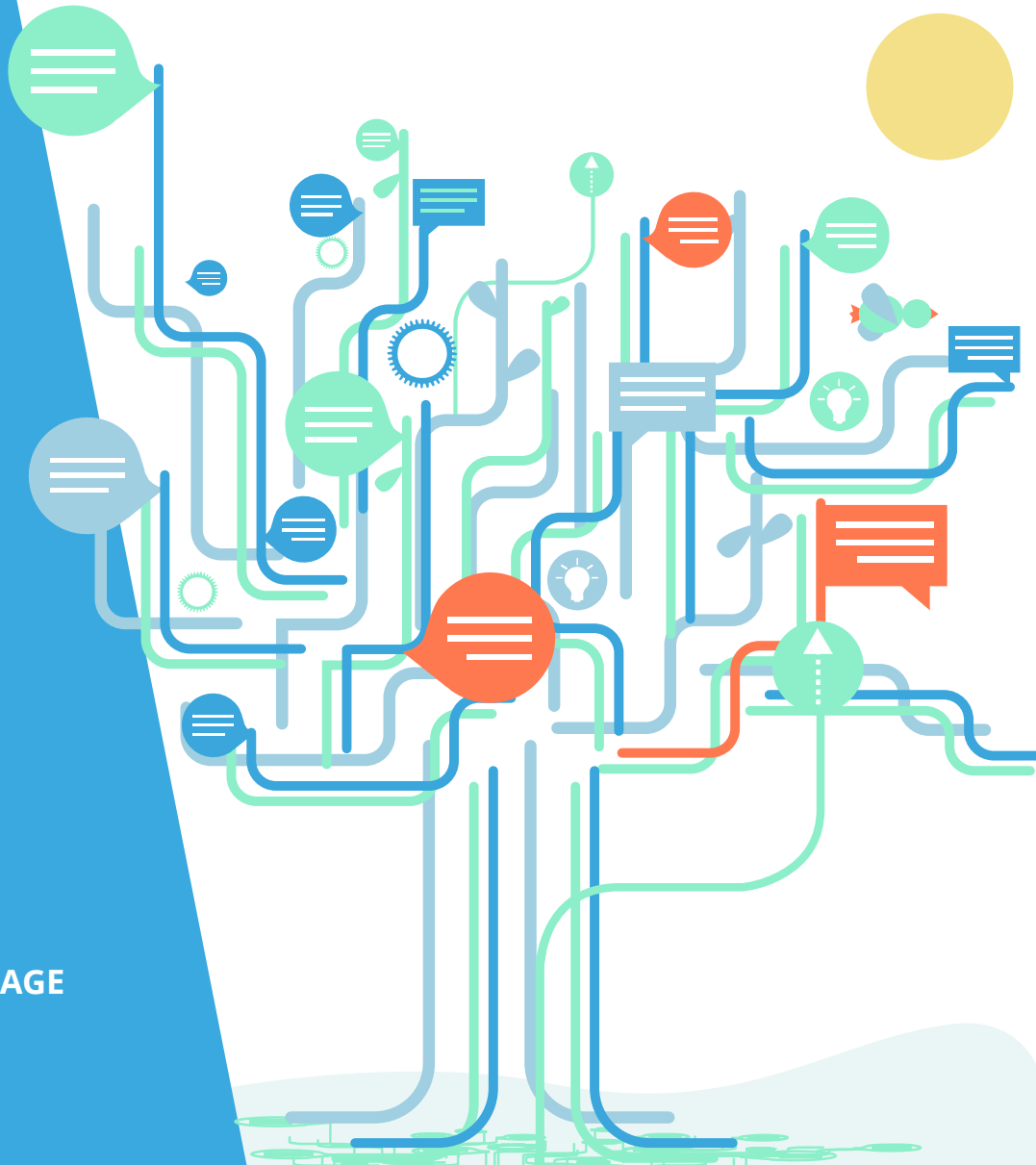
Getting ready to celebrate

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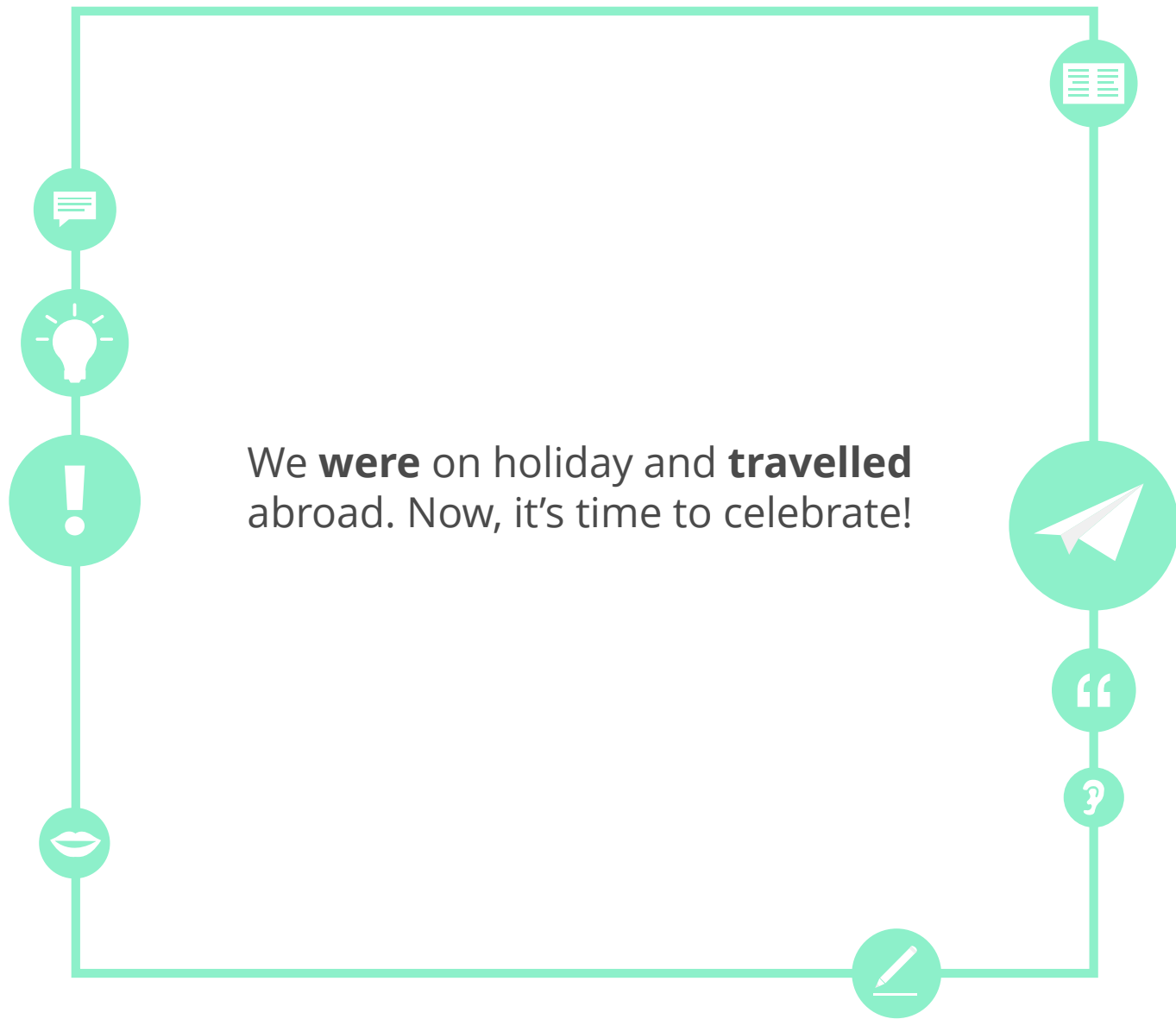




Goals

- Can read a short text about celebrations
- Can identify some common regular and irregular verbs in the past simple







Common verbs in the past simple

smiled

met

bought

was

went



had

were

wanted



Using the past simple



He **bought** some groceries.

She **smiled** and **waved**.





Using the past simple



She **smiled** because she **was** on holiday.

They **were** excited to be at the beach.



My friend **went** to Thailand on holiday.

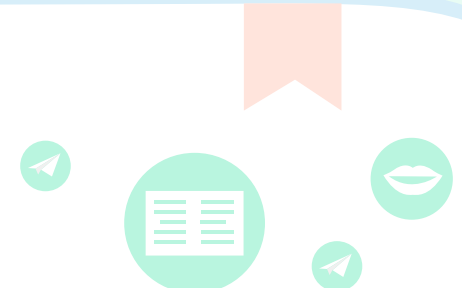
We **met** and he **had** a gift for me.





Getting ready to celebrate

Steve is back from his holiday and he is in his bathroom getting ready to go out. He had a great time in Thailand, and he is meeting his friends for dinner. They have a few things to celebrate. Tom and Sarah wanted to welcome him back to Vancouver, and it's Sarah's birthday today. Tom is in the living room. He is waiting for Steve to get ready.





Getting ready to celebrate

Steve is fixing his hair in the mirror. He looks at his tan and smiles. He was very pale before his holiday and he thinks he looks better now. It was nice to have some sun. He can hear the rain outside, and he misses Thailand a little.



True or false?

TRUE

FALSE

1. Steve is meeting his friends for dinner.

2. It is not Steve's birthday.

3. Steve was in India on holiday.

4. Steve is sad because he looks bad now.

5. Steve doesn't miss Thailand.



Match the sentences to the pictures

1. They had a large party.

2. He was in Thailand on holiday.

3. He bought her a gift.

4. We went to the beach for our summer holiday.



A



B



C



D



Name the past simple of these verbs

to buy

to have

to be (singular)

to smile



Getting ready to celebrate

“So you enjoyed your trip to Thailand?” asks Tom.

“It was a lot of fun. And I came back with this tan, it looks good, right?” responds Steve.

“Yeah, you look great. You were working too much. I’m glad you went on holiday and had some fun,” says Tom.

“It was nice to go somewhere just for fun, and not for work”, says Steve.



Getting ready to celebrate

Tom smiles and reminds him that they were supposed to leave five minutes ago. Steve looks nervous. He goes to the cupboard and pulls out a box.

“Do you think this is a good birthday gift? I bought it for her in Thailand” he asks Tom.

Tom stops him. Steve worries too much.

“You worry too much, Steve. I don’t have to see it. I’m sure it is great. Let’s go and meet Sarah at the restaurant, we are late!”



Match the words to the right list

Regular verbs

Irregular verbs

to have

to eat

to be

to enjoy

to smile

to buy

to run

to travel



Complete the sentences

1. He was very happy that...

a. excited to see him.

2. She was...

b. for fun, not for work.

3. He smiled...

c. he was home again.

4. We had...

d. because he was meeting his friends.

5. I went on holiday...

e. some gifts for you.



Write the sentences in the past simple

1. I go on holiday.

→ I **went** on holiday.

2. I have fun with my friends.

→ _____

3. We are going to dinner.

→ _____

4. I am travelling abroad.

→ _____



Pronounce the past simple forms

A

wanted

B

bought

C

were

D

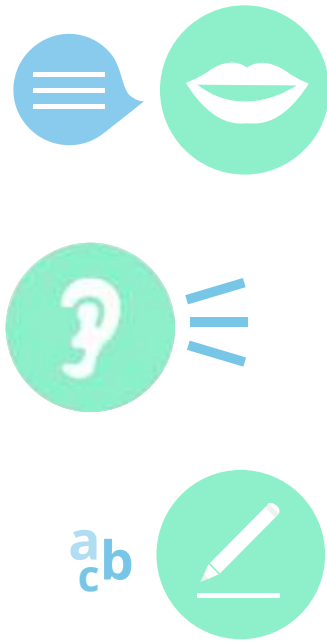
went



Dictogloss

Your teacher is going to read to you.
Write down what you hear them say.

A stack of white lined paper with a blue spiral binding on the left side. The paper has several horizontal lines for writing.



Listen up!





How did your grandparents meet?

We met forty years ago, today. It was a Saturday, and I was walking home from the shop with a paper bag full of groceries. It was a sunny day, and I was wearing a dress and sunglasses.

Then I saw your grandfather cycling on the other side of the street. He smiled at me and I smiled back, but I tripped over a stone and dropped my groceries all over the floor. Your grandfather came over to me straight away. He helped me pick them up.

The paper bag ripped when I fell. He told me to put the groceries into the basket on his bike. Then I got on the bike with him and he cycled me home.



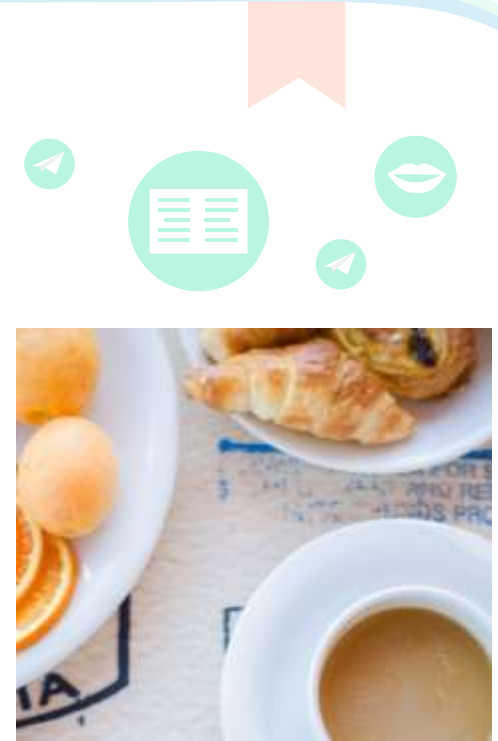


How did your grandparents meet?

When we arrived, he said: *you should really watch where you're going!* and we both laughed.

The next day he came back to my house. He brought some chocolate croissants that I forgot to take out of his basket. I invited him in for some breakfast and we ate the chocolate croissants together with some fruit and coffee.

We talked all morning, so I asked him if he wanted to eat some lunch. He said that he would love to; so, we ate lunch together too.





How did your grandparents meet?

We continued talking and laughing all afternoon, and soon it was time for dinner. Your grandfather suggested that we go to a restaurant for dinner. We went to a beautiful Italian restaurant and ate the most delicious pizza.

We are still together today, and we still go to the same restaurant every year for our anniversary. This year, we bought a tandem bicycle and rode it down the same street where we met all those years ago.

Your grandfather always says that he is really glad that I tripped on that sunny day, and that he found the chocolate croissants in his basket too!





How did your grandparents meet?

Go back through the text and pick out all of the verbs used in the past simple.

Can you retell the story in your own words?

A vertical sheet of lined paper with a spiral binding on the left side, intended for writing answers.



Reflect on the goals

Go back to the second slide of the lesson and check if you have achieved all the goals of the lesson.

yes

no

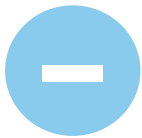
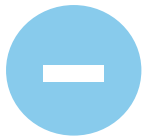




Reflect on this lesson

Think about everything you have seen in this lesson.
What were the most difficult activities or words? The easiest?



If you have time, go over
the most difficult slides again



Answer key

Exercise p.9
1. True 2. True 3. False 4. False 5. False

Exercise p.10
1. D 2. C 3. B 4. A

Exercise p.11

to buy/bought; to have/had; to be/was; to smile/smiled

Exercise p.14

Regular: to enjoy, to smile, to travel

Irregular: to have, to eat, to be, to buy, to run

Exercise p.15

1. C 2. A 3. D 4. E 5. B

Exercise p.16

2. I had fun with my friends.

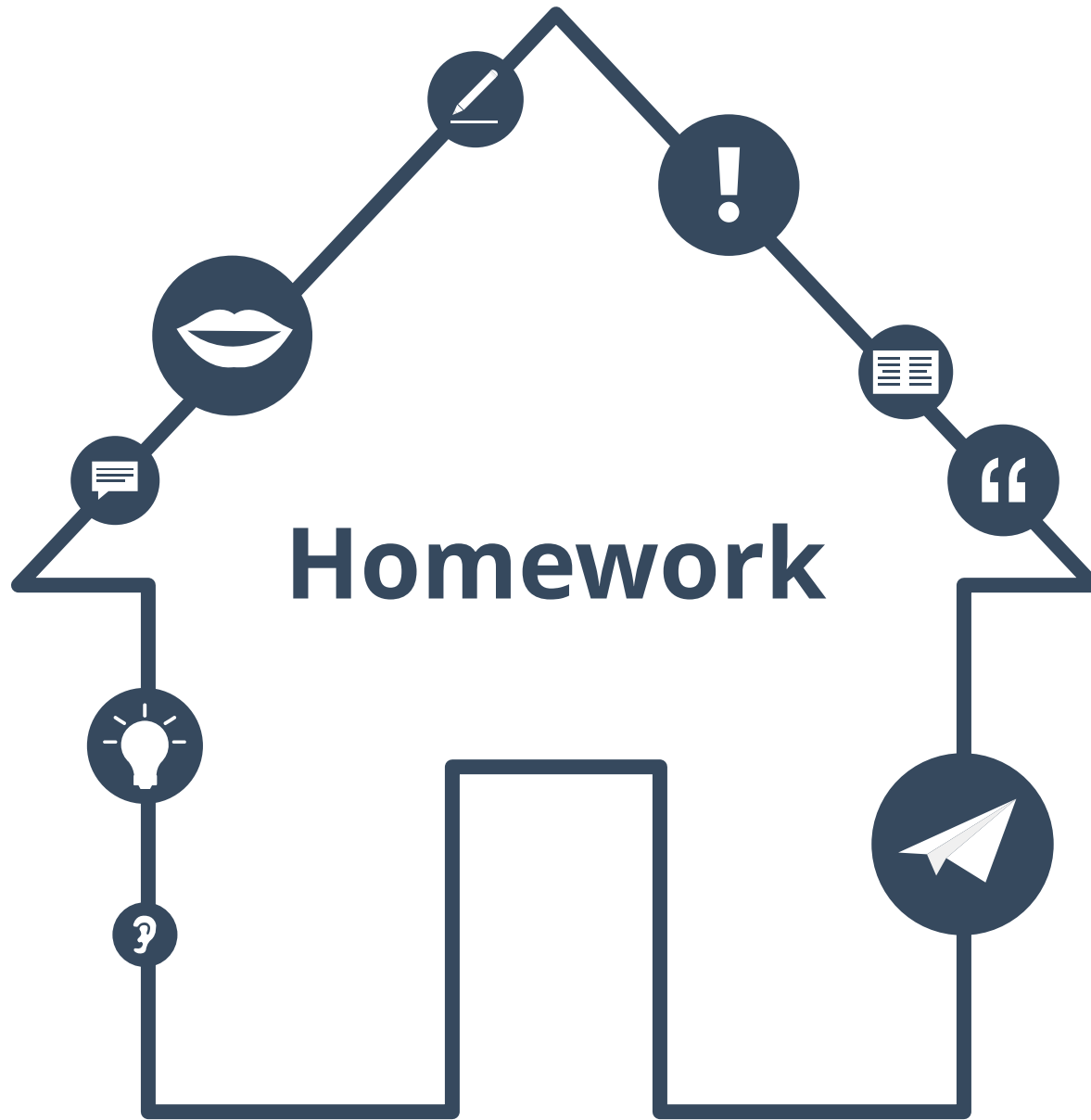
3. We went to dinner.

4. I travelled abroad.



Listening transcription

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"It was a lot of fun. And I came back with this tan, it looks good, right?" responds Steve.
"Yeah, you look great. You were working too much. I'm glad you went on holiday and had some fun," says Tom.
"It was nice to go somewhere just for fun, and not for work", says Steve.





Transform these sentences to the past

1. I am walking.

→ I **walked**.

2. He is excited.

→ _____

3. She is coming to the party.

→ _____

4. They are happy.

→ _____

5. He smiles.

→ _____

6. They have dinner.

→ _____

7. He is in Thailand.

→ _____

8. It is her birthday.

→ _____



My favourite sentences

**Choose your five favourite sentences
from the three pieces of text.**

A vertical rectangular area representing a sheet of lined paper. On the left side, there are ten circular punch holes. The main body of the paper is white with ten horizontal grey lines spaced evenly down its length, providing space for writing.



My favourite character

**Who is your favourite character in the text?
What does he or she do in this text?**

My favourite
character is...

He is...

He does...

She is...

He is not...

She does...

A vertical sheet of white paper with a spiral binding on the left side and horizontal lines for writing.



Favourite character

**What happens next?
Write two sentences of the story.**

A vertical rectangular area designed for writing, featuring a light gray background and horizontal lines. On the left side, there are ten circular punch holes, suggesting it is part of a spiral-bound notebook.



Homework answer key

- Exercise p. 28**
2. He was excited.
 3. She came to the party.
 4. They were happy.
 5. He smiled.
 6. They had dinner.
 7. He was in Thailand.
 8. It was her birthday.



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