

GRAMMAR

1 Past time expressions

Complete each sentence with a past time expression from the box. (4 marks)

Example:

I was a student at university from 1988 to 1991.

when in until for

- 1 I finished university _____ 1991.
- 2 I went to live in Hong Kong _____ a few months.
- 3 _____ I was there, I worked in a café.
- 4 I worked there _____ I had money to travel.

2 Questions: *When... ?; How long... ?*

Write the questions correctly. (5 marks)

Example:

- (get home / you / When / last night? / did)
– When did you get home last night?
– About 11.30.

- 1 (you / When / get / your first job? / did)
– _____
– In July 1987.
- 2 (there? / How / you / long / work / did)
– _____
– Only about 46 weeks.
- 3 (school? / When / your daughter / did / start)
– _____
– Last year.
- 4 (World War? / was / When / First / the)
– _____
– From 1914 to 1918.
- 5 (on holiday? / were / long / your parents / How)
– _____
– Three weeks.

VOCABULARY

3 Nationalities, jobs

Complete the nationalities and jobs. (8 marks)

Example:

Gamel Abdel Nasser was an Egyptian leader.
(pitgyna; deare)

- 1 Octavio Paz was a M_____ w_____.
(axniec; etrir)
- 2 Sandro Botticelli was an I_____ p_____.
(alinta; antire)
- 3 Johnny Cash was an A_____ s_____.
(cemniar; giner)
- 4 Ravi Shankar is an I_____ m_____.
(danin; caniusi)

4 Years

Write the years. (4 marks)

Example:

Abraham Lincoln was born in 1809.
eighteen-oh-nine

- 1 Elvis Presley died in 1977.

- 2 Vladimir Lenin was born in 1870.

- 3 Audrey Hepburn was born in 1929.

- 4 George Best died in 2005.

5 Past simple verbs

Complete the sentences with the correct form of the verbs in the box. (5 marks)

Example:

She was born in Egypt.

live become move write marry

- Um Kulthum was born in Tamay ez-Zahayra, in Egypt. In 1923, she _____ to Cairo.
- She _____ in Cairo until she died in 1975.
- The writer Ahmad Rami _____ 137 songs for her.
- She _____ Hassen El Hafnaoui in 1955, but they never had children.
- She _____ one of Egypt's most famous singers.

6 Life events

Complete the sentences with the past form of one of the verbs in brackets. (4 marks)

Example:

My friend's parents lived in South America. (live / visit)

- My cousin _____ up in Brazil. (grow / become)
- She _____ a job as a teacher in London. (get / give)
- In 2004 she _____ Pietro, her husband. (find / meet)
- Their first child, a girl, _____ born last year. (have / be)

KEYWORD

7 how

Write questions starting with *How*. (5 marks)

Example:

old / your parents ?

– How old are your parents?

– My father is 64 and my mother's 62.

- can / get / train station ?
– How _____ ?
– You can take a bus, or a taxi of course.
- much / these shoes ?
– How _____ ?
– Only €45!
- your brother / in university?
– How _____ ?
– Nearly six years, from 1996 to 2002.
- your wife / today?
– How _____ ?
– She's fine, thanks.
- your flat / from city centre?
– How _____ ?
– About a kilometre.

EXPLORE WRITING

8 Say when things happened

Write the sentences with the correct form of the verb in brackets. (5 marks)

Example:

for a walk. / we (finish) / we (go) out / dinner

After we finished dinner we went out for a walk.

- a child / I (live) / with my grandparents. / I (be)
When _____
- (travel) around the world. / my brother (leave) / he / school
After _____
- to Spain / very little Spanish. / he (speak) / he (move)
When _____
- he (write) his first / he (finish) university / book.
After _____
- we (be) / we (work) / in London / in a café.
When _____