 <p>RED EDUCACIONAL SANTO TOMÁS DE AQUINO DESDE 1870</p>	<p>English Worksheet: Past Simple</p>	English Department
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Ainsley Harriott

I've always been a bit of an entertainer and played the funny man. I was a part-time comedian for years, so I learned how to stand in front of audiences. It made me sure of myself. I like being liked and I love making everyone smile.

I've lived in London all my life and have just moved to a larger house with my wife Clare and our two children, Jimmy and Madeleine. We spend a lot of time just singing and dancing around the house. I grew up with music because my dad is the pianist, Chester Harriott - who's still playing, by the way. My working day is divided between television and writing cook books, though TV takes most of my time. I spend about five days a fortnight working on the cooking programmes I appear in. I eat all sorts of things at home but I only buy quality food. When I'm cooking, I experiment with whatever is in the fridge -- it's good practice for my TV series.

I'm a football fan and enjoy going to matches, but I'm a home-loving person really. I don't like going to the pub but we do go out to eat about twice a month. There's nothing better than a night at home playing with the children. I rarely go to bed before midnight. Late evening is when fresh thoughts on cooking usually come to me, so I often write or plan my programmes then. When I eventually get to bed, I have no trouble sleeping.

- READ THE TEXT AND CHOOSE THE CORRECT ANSWER

1.-What is the writer's main purpose in writing the text?

- a)to describe how he lives
- b)to explain how he started in TV
- c)to say what makes him laugh
- d)to talk about his cooking ideas

2.-What should the reader learn about Ainsley from the text?

- a) He enjoys spending time with his family.
- b) He is a very good musician.
- c) He is nervous about performing on stage.
- d) He likes to plan the family meals.

3.-What does the writer say about himself?

- a) He enjoys being popular.
- b) He is very similar to his father.
- c) He loves going out and meeting people.
- d) He should go to bed earlier.

4.-What does he say about his working life?

- a) He gets his best ideas at certain times.
- b) He prefers being comedian.
- c) He should practise cooking more.
- d) He would like to appear less on TV.

5.-Which of the following is the best description of the writer?

- a) The cook and comedian who takes great care about the way he cooks his food and enjoys listening to
- b) The popular TV comedian who enjoys cooking, watching football, and having a busy social life.
- c) The singing TV cook who likes making jokes, playing with his children, and having an early night.
- d) The TV cook who loves making people laugh, watching football and, above all, having a happy family

EASTER HOLIDAYS

Past Simple. Fill in the blanks with the right forms of the verbs in brackets.

Last Easter holidays Jimmy and Paul (6) _____ (go) camping in the mountain.

They (7) _____ (spend) a wonderful time there. They (8) _____ (wake up) early in the morning and then they (9) _____ (go) for a walk. In the village they (10) _____ (buy) everything they (11) _____ (need).



In the afternoon they (12) _____ (play) football, (13) _____ (watch) the birds and (14) _____ (swim) in the river.

They (15) _____ (not have) a TV set, so after dinner they (16) _____ (talk) for a while and then they (17) _____ (go) to sleep.

One night, Jimmy (18) _____ (have) a very strange dream: they (19) _____ (be) by the river watching the moon.



Suddenly they (20) _____ (hear) someone calling "Hello! Hello!" They (21) _____ (turn) around and they (22) _____ (see) a strange creature.

It (23) _____ (be) green and very small. He (24) _____ (invite) them to go to his spaceship. There they (25) _____ (meet) other strange creatures and a beautiful princess.

They (26) _____ (sit) down round a table and they (27) _____ (eat) some strange food. Jimmy (28) _____ (drink) a glass of fruit juice. It (29) _____ (taste) good so he (30) _____ (ask) for another glass of it.

After a while he (31) _____ (feel) a bit strange.

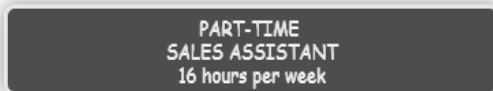


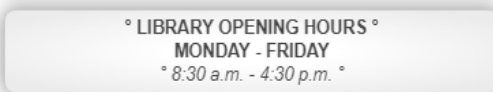
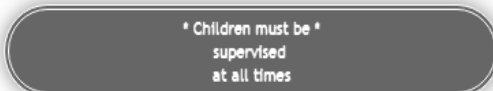

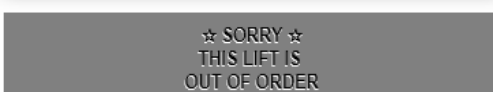
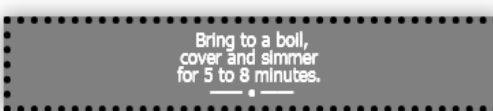
Oh, dear...he (32) _____ (turn) green and small like the others. The princess (33) _____ (not be) beautiful anymore and she (34) _____ (look) horrible.

What was happening? He(35) _____(open) his eyes and ... what a relief! It (36)_____ (be) only a dream!

III.- Complete the chart

BASE	PAST SIMPLE
BEGIN	(37)
(38)	BROKE
BUY	(39)
(40)	CHOSE
DRINK	(41)
(42)	DROVE
FEEL	(43)
(44)	FORGOT
GO	(45)
(46)	HAD
READ	(47)
(48)	WROTE
WIN	(49)

IV. For question 50 - 54, match the letter of the notices with the sentences with the same meaning.

- A 
- B 
- C 
- D 
- E 
- F 
- G 
- H 

- 50.-You must be careful when you cross the road.

- 51.-You should go to the other door.

- 52.-You should cook this before you eat it.

- 53.-You will have to use the stairs.

- 54.- You can get a job here.
