

1 Choose the correct answer to make a sentence with the correct form of future in the past: A, B or C.

- 1 We had to hurry because the show ____ about to start in five minutes.
A was B would C was going
- 2 The English teacher was ____ the winners of the crime story competition at 9 o'clock on Monday.
A announce B about C going to
 announcing announce
- 3 Kiara couldn't wait for the weekend. Her sister ____ taking her to the cinema to see a film about a bank robbery.
A was going to B was C was about
- 4 Lewis ____ a white shirt to a job interview but couldn't because, it had a coffee stain.
A was wearing B was going C were going
 to wear to wear
- 5 I was ____ study in the morning but I forgot to set my alarm clock.
A going to B to C about to
- 6 I'm sorry I ____ you on our way back home but unfortunately my phone went dead.
A was calling B would call C was going
 to call
- 7 I was worried I ____ that job but it turned out I stood out against other candidates at the interview.
A wasn't getting B wasn't to get C wouldn't
 get
- 8 My neighbour ____ travelling to Berlin, so I agreed to water the flowers in his garden until he returned.
A was B would be C was about to
- 9 I had a feeling this trip ____ a lot of fun.
A was to be B was being C would be
- 10 Chidi was ____ leave the classroom, when the teacher asked him to come and talk to him.
A going to B about to C to

2 Complete the text with the correct future in the past form of the verbs below. Sometimes there is more than one correct answer.

check hide install never / forget
not move out spend

Two weeks ago I ¹ _____ a weekend in Prague with my flatmates but I had to drop out from the trip at the last moment because I had to finish an urgent project. On Friday evening I was sitting in my room when I heard some loud noises in the living room. I ² _____ what was happening when I noticed a removal van in front of our house. A removal van? I was sure my flatmates ³ _____ soon. This was weird! Then I heard men's voices: 'And take that other TV, too!' I ⁴ _____ under the bed when someone opened the door to my room. I quickly went under the bed. I closed my eyes and thought I ⁵ _____ this moment. I was scared and didn't know what to do.

'Annie, what are you doing here?' This was my brother! What a relief! 'And why are you hiding? We came to replace the TV, don't you remember? You gave us your house keys and asked us to come when you were away with your friends.'

Of course! Now I remembered everything! They ⁶ _____ the new TV my flatmates and I ordered a few days ago. I had asked my brother, who works for a removal company, to bring it from the shop in his van and hang it on the wall.

3 Work in pairs. The statements below were given by suspects to police officers during an investigation. Read out the statements and discuss with your partner:

- Why did the suspects make the statements?
- What happened before or after they made the statements?
- What might they have said next?

I was about to take it to the police station.

'I was about to take it to the police station.' Perhaps the police found the suspect with a wallet and the wallet wasn't his.

Yes! And he explained how he had found it. 'I was about to pack my grocery shopping in the bag when I saw a wallet on the floor.'

I wasn't going to do it!

No! I would never hurt anyone.

I was going to pay for that! You have to believe me!

It was about to get dark but we stayed in the park anyway.

They were about to close the shop so we hid in the changing room.