

# 3 Vocabulary extension

## Travel verbs

1 Find 9 travel verbs in the word snake.

landleavesailrideexploretravelarrivefly  
drive

2 Complete the sentences with the verbs from exercise 1.

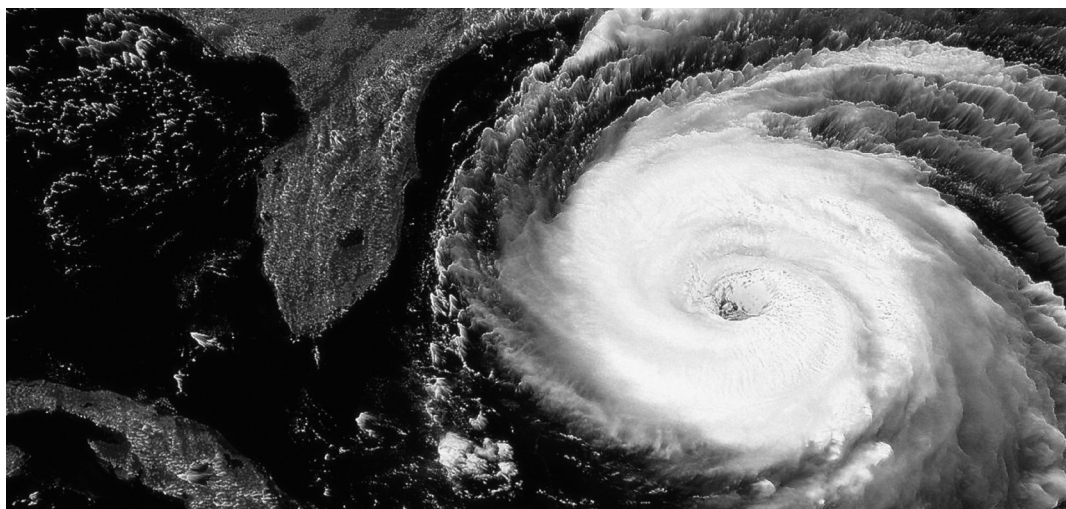
The plane took off at 6 pm. What time does it land here?

- 1 I want to \_\_\_\_\_ a camel in the desert.
- 2 My cousins \_\_\_\_\_ a lot. Last week they went to Madrid and now they're in New York.
- 3 The bus was late. It didn't \_\_\_\_\_ until 11 pm.
- 4 I wouldn't like to \_\_\_\_\_ around the world in a small boat.
- 5 My parents hate planes, so they never \_\_\_\_\_.
- 6 I \_\_\_\_\_ for school at 7.30 every morning.
- 7 Before I go to university, I want to travel and \_\_\_\_\_ new places.
- 8 My grandparents can't \_\_\_\_\_, so they never travel by car.

## Natural disasters

3 Complete the sentences with the words in the box.

drought earthquake fire hurricane tornado tsunami volcanic eruption



A(n) tornado is a strong and dangerous wind that moves in a circle. You can find them in the USA but never in Antarctica.

- 1 In December 2004, a(n) \_\_\_\_\_ started in the Indian Ocean and huge waves killed thousands.
- 2 In 1666 the Great \_\_\_\_\_ of London burned many buildings and houses.
- 3 In 1906 a(n) \_\_\_\_\_ hit San Francisco. The ground moved for seconds and many buildings fell.
- 4 In 79AD Mount Vesuvius erupted. This \_\_\_\_\_ was catastrophic.
- 5 In 2006 a(n) \_\_\_\_\_ hit New Orleans. The strong winds destroyed many buildings and there were terrible floods.
- 6 In China, it didn't rain from 1876 to 1879. This \_\_\_\_\_ killed nine million people.

# 3 Grammar extension

## Past simple: affirmative

1 Complete the sentences with the past simple form of the verbs in the box.

cook cry discover sell take

We discovered a family of mice under the floor.

- 1 I didn't need my old bicycle, so I \_\_\_\_\_ it.
- 2 During the sad film, my mum \_\_\_\_\_ a lot.
- 3 My dad \_\_\_\_\_ me to school yesterday.
- 4 My friend \_\_\_\_\_ pizza last night.

## Past simple: negative

2 Rewrite the sentences so they are true.

The South African World Cup took place in 2011. (2010)

The South African World Cup didn't take place in 2011. It took place in 2010.

1 Nelson Mandela became the first black president of the USA in 2008. (Barack Obama)

\_\_\_\_\_

2 King Henry VIII had eight wives. (six)

\_\_\_\_\_

3 Neil Armstrong travelled to space in 1961. (Yuri Gagarin)

\_\_\_\_\_

4 Adolf 'Adi' Dassler started the shoe company Adidas, and his sister started Puma. (his brother)

\_\_\_\_\_

## be: past simple

3 Complete the text with *was / wasn't* or *were / weren't*.

It was Friday evening. My brother and I <sup>(1)</sup> \_\_\_\_\_ in his bedroom. My parents <sup>(2)</sup> \_\_\_\_\_ at work so they <sup>(3)</sup> \_\_\_\_\_ (not) at home. My brother <sup>(4)</sup> \_\_\_\_\_ bored. I <sup>(5)</sup> \_\_\_\_\_ (not) pleased because my favourite sports programme <sup>(6)</sup> \_\_\_\_\_ (not) on TV. Then there <sup>(7)</sup> \_\_\_\_\_ a noise. My friends, Jack and Nick, <sup>(8)</sup> \_\_\_\_\_ at the door with three DVDs and a huge pizza! The DVDs <sup>(9)</sup> \_\_\_\_\_ horror films and the pizza <sup>(10)</sup> \_\_\_\_\_ fantastic. What a great surprise!



## Past simple: questions

4 Write the questions using the past simple. Then write the answers.

Who / be / Marco Polo? (an Italian explorer)

Who was Marco Polo?

He was an Italian explorer.

1 When / the Irish Potato Famine / begin? (in 1845)

\_\_\_\_\_

2 What / Captain Cook and his men / discover? (Australia)

\_\_\_\_\_

3 How many exams / you / have last week? (three)

\_\_\_\_\_

## could / couldn't

5 Complete the sentences with *could* or *couldn't* so they are true for you.

I couldn't speak English when I was two.

1 My mum \_\_\_\_\_ drive a car when she was 20.

2 My friends and I \_\_\_\_\_ swim when we were eight.

3 I \_\_\_\_\_ ride a horse three years ago.