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## Exercise 14

### Review of the Simple Past Tense

Fill in the spaces with the correct form of the verb in parentheses in simple past tense.

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When Abby (be) \_\_\_\_\_<sup>(1)</sup> seven years old, she (do, not, like) \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_<sup>(2)</sup> piano lessons. She (do, not, like) \_\_\_\_\_<sup>(3)</sup> to practice,  
and sometimes she even (cry) \_\_\_\_\_<sup>(4)</sup> when it (be) \_\_\_\_\_<sup>(5)</sup> time to  
practice. Finally, she (stop) \_\_\_\_\_<sup>(6)</sup> taking lessons.

Some of Abby's friends (do, not, quit) \_\_\_\_\_<sup>(7)</sup> their  
lessons. They (continue) \_\_\_\_\_<sup>(8)</sup> to play. After much practice, they  
(learn) \_\_\_\_\_<sup>(9)</sup> to play very well.



About ten years (pass) \_\_\_\_\_<sup>(10)</sup> before Abby (become) \_\_\_\_\_<sup>(11)</sup> interested in  
music or the piano again. After she (graduate) \_\_\_\_\_<sup>(12)</sup> from high school, Abby  
(decide) \_\_\_\_\_<sup>(13)</sup> that she (want) \_\_\_\_\_<sup>(14)</sup> to study music in college. She (call)  
\_\_\_\_\_<sup>(15)</sup> the lady who (teach) \_\_\_\_\_<sup>(16)</sup> her when she (be) \_\_\_\_\_<sup>(17)</sup> a little girl.  
The lady (say) \_\_\_\_\_<sup>(18)</sup> she would teach Abby again.

The lady (need) \_\_\_\_\_<sup>(19)</sup> someone to help her daughter with homework. Abby  
(say) \_\_\_\_\_<sup>(20)</sup> she would help with homework in exchange for lessons. Because of  
this, the piano lessons (cost) \_\_\_\_\_<sup>(21)</sup> her nothing!

She (work) \_\_\_\_\_<sup>(22)</sup> very hard to catch up. Now she is making good progress.  
Soon she will go to college, majoring in music.