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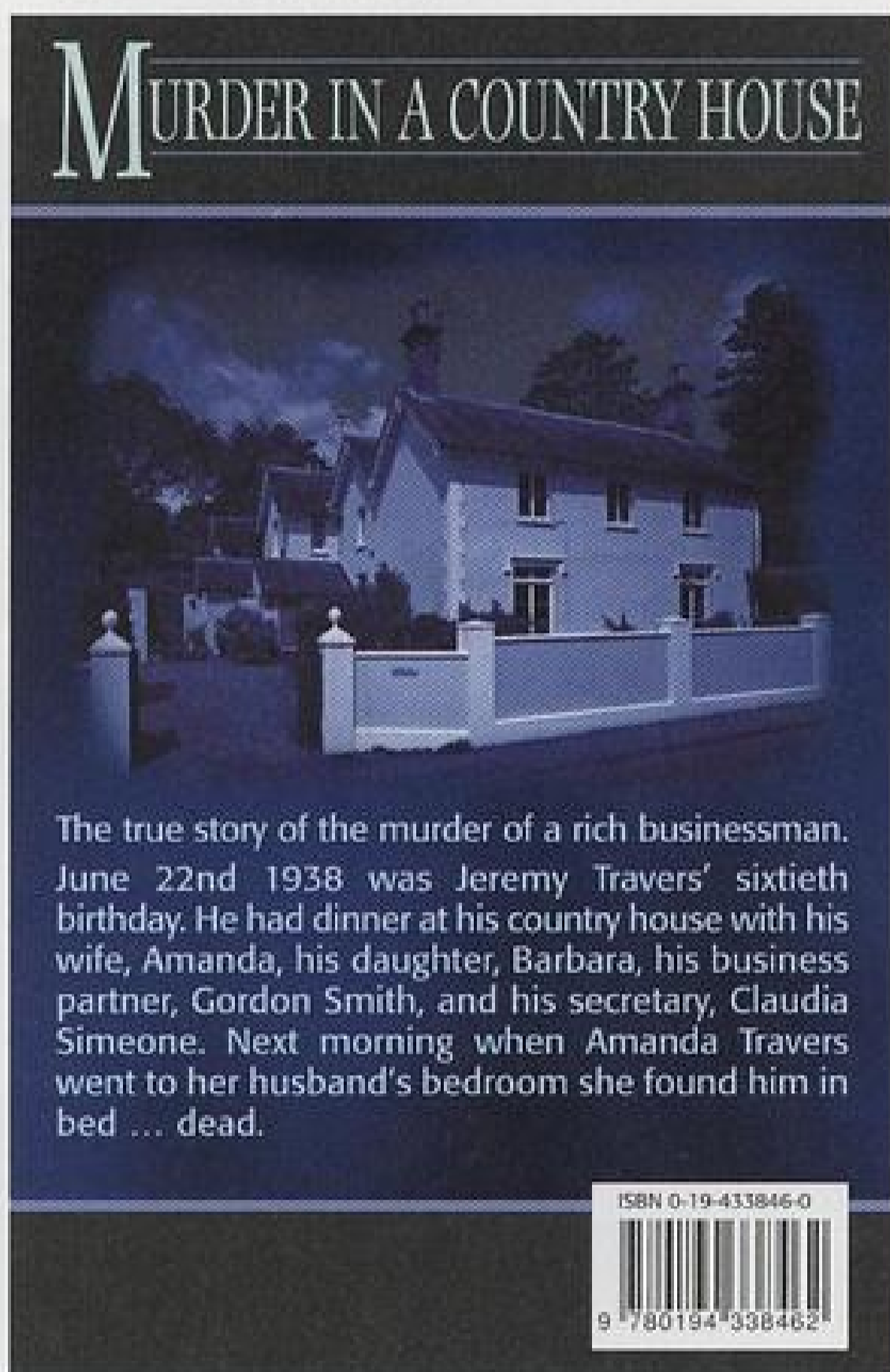
G past simple regular and irregular
V irregular verbs
P past simple verbs

Did you hear anything during the night?
No, I didn't. I was very tired.

Murder in a country house

1 READING

a Read the information on the back of the book. What's it about?



b Cover the back of the book and look at the photographs. Can you remember who they are?

Who's Amanda?

She's Jeremy's wife.

Inspector Granger arrived at about 9.00. He was a tall man with a big black moustache. Amanda, Barbara, Claudia, and Gordon were in the living room. The inspector **came**¹ in.

'Mr Travers died between midnight last night and seven o'clock this morning,' he **said**². 'Somebody in this room killed him.' He looked at them one by one but nobody **spoke**³.

'Mrs Travers, I want to talk to you first. Come into the library with me, please.'

Amanda Travers followed the inspector into the library and they **sat**⁴ down.

'What did your husband do after dinner last night?'

'When we finished dinner Jeremy said he was tired and he went to bed.'

'Did you go to bed then?'

'No, I didn't. I went for a walk in the garden.'

'What time did you go to bed?'

'About quarter to twelve.'

'Was your husband asleep?'

'I don't know, inspector. We... we **slept**⁵ in separate rooms.'

'Did you hear anything when you were in your room?'

'Yes, I **heard**⁶ Jeremy's bedroom door. It opened. I **thought**⁷ it was Jeremy. Then it closed again. I **read**⁸ in bed for half an hour and then I went to sleep.'

'What time did you get up this morning?'

'I got up at about 7.15. I had breakfast and at 8.00 I **took**⁹ my husband a cup of tea. I **found**¹⁰ him in bed. He was... dead.'

'Tell me, Mrs Travers, did you love your husband?'

'Jeremy is... was a difficult man.'

'But did you love him, Mrs Travers?'

'No, inspector. I hated him.'

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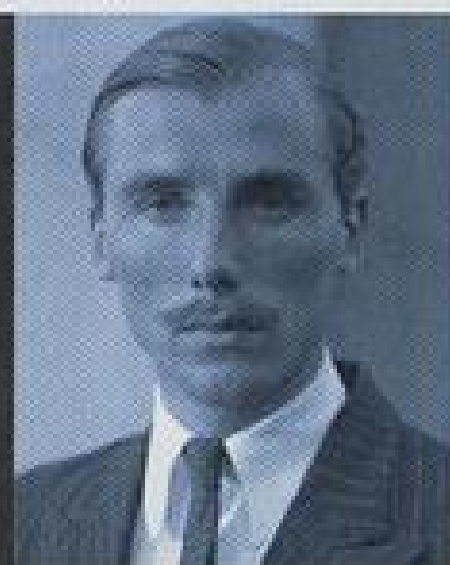
Jeremy Travers



Amanda



Barbara



Gordon Smith



Claudia Simeone

c 5.14 Read and listen to the story. Mark the sentences T (true) or F (false). Correct the false sentences.

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|---|---|
| 1 Somebody killed Jeremy at 8.00. | 5 Somebody opened and closed Jeremy's door. |
| 2 The inspector questioned Amanda in the living room. | 6 Amanda got up at 7.00. |
| 3 Jeremy went to bed before Amanda. | 7 Amanda didn't love Jeremy. |
| 4 Amanda and Jeremy slept in the same room. | |

d Look at the ten **highlighted** irregular verbs in the story. What are the infinitives?









1 *come*

e  p.154 **Irregular verbs** and check.

2 PRONUNCIATION past simple verbs

a 5.15 Put these irregular verbs in the correct column. Listen and check.

bought	came	could	drove
found	had	heard	read
said	sat	saw	slept
spoke	thought	took	wore

							
	bought						

b 5.16 Find and underline nine past simple regular verbs in the story. How do you pronounce them? Listen and check.

3 LISTENING

a 5.17 Listen to the inspector question Barbara. Write the information in the chart. Listen again and check.

	Amanda	Barbara	Gordon	Claudia
What did they do after dinner?	She went for a walk.			
What time did they go to bed?	11.45.			
Did they hear anything?	Jeremy's door opened and closed.			
Possible motive?	She hated him.			

b 5.18 Listen to the inspector question Gordon. Write the information in the chart.


c 5.19 Listen to the inspector question Claudia. Write the information in the chart.

d Compare your chart with a partner.

e Who do you think was the murderer? Amanda, Barbara, Gordon, or Claudia? Why?


f 5.20 Now listen to what happened. Were you right?

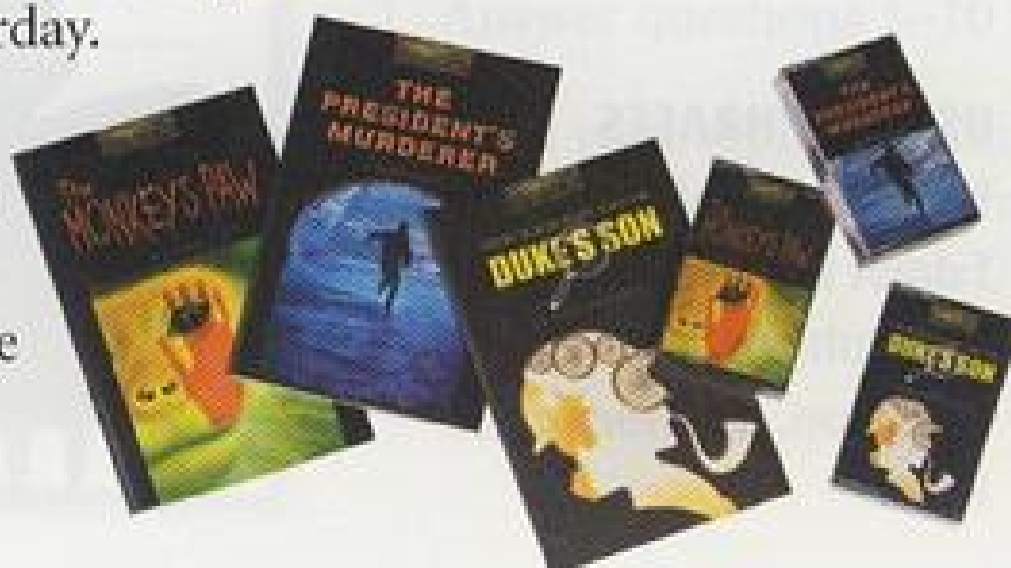
4 SPEAKING

 **Communication** Police interview A p.109 B p.112.

Interview your partner about yesterday.

5 VOCABULARY irregular verbs

 p.154 **Irregular verbs**. Tick (✓) the irregular verbs you know. Choose three new ones and learn them.






A very good way to improve your English and learn irregular verbs is by reading Graded Readers. Buy or borrow a Stage 1 Graded Reader in the past tense (with a cassette or CD if possible).

5A Three Presidents Student A

Ask and answer questions with B to complete the information about Presidents Washington, Lincoln, and Roosevelt. You start.

What was Washington's first name?

			
President	Washington	Lincoln	Roosevelt
First name?	_____	Abraham	_____
Which president?	First	_____	26th
born (year)?	_____	1809	_____
born (place)?	Westmoreland, Virginia	_____	New York City, New York
parents from?	Virginia	Virginia	_____

5D Police interview Student A

Work in pairs with another A. You are police officers. There was a robbery last night. B and B are two friends. You think they were responsible. They say that they went out for dinner and went to the cinema last night. You want to know if this is true.

- Look at the Police interview form and prepare to ask the Bs the questions. Think of more questions to get more details about the evening, e.g. *What did you wear? What did you eat and drink? What film was it?*
- Interview *one* of the Bs. Write down his / her answers in the form. (Your partner interviews the other B.)

Police interview form

Name: _____

Date: _____

	What time?	Where?	More details
/ meet?			
/ have dinner?			
/ go to the cinema?			
What / do after the cinema?			
What time / get home?			

- Compare with your partner. Did the two Bs tell exactly the same story? If not, arrest them!

6B Memory test Student A




- Write questions from the prompts.

- / a cupboard in the room?
Was there a cupboard in the room?
- How many tables / ?
- / a lamp on the table?
- Where / the TV?
- What colour / the walls?
- / any pictures? How many?

- Ask B your questions.
- Answer B's questions.
Who has the best memory?

5A Three Presidents Student B

Ask and answer questions with A to complete the information about Presidents Washington, Lincoln, and Roosevelt. A starts.

			
President	Washington	Lincoln	Roosevelt
First name?	George	_____	Theodore
Which president?	_____	16th	_____
born (year)?	1732	_____	1858
born (place)?	_____	Hodgenville, Kentucky	_____
parents from?	_____	Virginia	New York

5B Sydney



Sydney, Nova Scotia, population 26,000

Raoul and Emma were in Sydney, but not Sydney, Australia. They were in Sydney, Nova Scotia, in north-east Canada!

The story of Emma and Raoul was on television and in newspapers around the world. They stayed in Sydney, Nova Scotia, for four days and then travelled home on Air Canada to London, England (not London, Canada).

5D Police interview Student B

Work in pairs with another B. You are friends. Last night you met, had dinner, and went to the cinema. There was a robbery last night. A and A are police officers. They think you were responsible, and they want to interview you separately. If you both tell the same story, you are innocent.

- Prepare your story. Use these questions. Think of extra details, e.g. *What did you wear? What did you eat and drink? What film was it?*
 - What time / where did you meet?
 - What time / where did you have dinner?
 - What time / where did you go to the cinema?
 - What did you do after the cinema?
 - What time did you get home?
- Answer A's questions.
- Did you and your friend tell the same story?

6B Memory test Student B

- Write questions from the prompts.
 - / a carpet in the room?
Was there a carpet in the room?
 - How many beds / ?
 - / the door open or closed?
 - What / on the bed?
 - What colour / the curtains?
 - / any books in the room?
- Answer A's questions.
- Ask A your questions. Who has the best memory?

5A past simple of *be*: *was* / *were*

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I	was		I	wasn't	
You	were		You	weren't	
He / She / It	was	famous.	He / She / It	wasn't	famous.
We	were		We	weren't	
You	were		You	weren't	
They	were		They	weren't	

- **Contractions:** *wasn't* = *was not*, *weren't* = *were not*.
- Use *was* / *were* to talk about the past.
My grandfather was born in London.

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Was	I			I was.		I wasn't.
Were	you			you were.		you weren't.
Was	he / she / it	famous?	Yes,	he / she / it was.	No,	he / she / it wasn't.
Were	we			we were.		we weren't.
Were	you			you were.		you weren't.
Were	they			they were.		they weren't.

5B past simple regular verbs

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I		I	
You		You	
He / She / It	worked	He / She / It	didn't work
We	yesterday.	We	yesterday.
You		You	
They		They	

spelling rules for regular verbs

Infinitive	Past	Spelling
watch	watched	add <i>-ed</i>
play	played	
live	lived	add <i>-d</i>
smoke	smoked	
stop	stopped	one vowel + one consonant = double consonant
study	studied	consonant + <i>y > ied</i>

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Did	I			I				I	
	you			you				you	
	he / she / it	work	Yes,	he / she / it	did.	No,		he / she / it	didn't.
	we	yesterday?		we				we	
	you			you				you	
	they			they				they	

- **Contraction:** *didn't* = *did not*.
- Use the past simple for finished actions.
- Regular verbs in the past **+** end in *-ed*, e.g. *worked*, *lived*, *played*.
- The past is the same for all persons.
- Use *did* / *didn't* + infinitive for past **?** and **-**.

5C past simple irregular verbs

Infinitive	Past +	Past -
go	went	didn't go
have	had	didn't have
get	got	didn't get
buy	bought	didn't buy
leave	left	didn't leave
drive	drove	didn't drive
meet	met	didn't meet
see	saw	didn't see
wear	wore	didn't wear
do	did	didn't do

- Use the irregular past form only in **+** sentences.
I saw a film last night.
- Use the infinitive after *did* / *didn't*.
Did you see a film last night? NOT *Did you saw...?*
- Remember word order = ASI (auxiliary, subject, infinitive) or QUASI (question word, auxiliary, subject, infinitive).
Did you go out last night?
Where did you go?

⚠ Past of *can* = *could*.
- = *couldn't* NOT *didn't can*
? = *Could you...?* NOT *Did you can...?*

5A

a Change the sentences from present to past.

Present simple	Past simple
I'm tired.	I <u>was</u> tired last week.
1 Today is Sunday.	Yesterday _____ Saturday.
2 Where are you now?	Where _____ you yesterday?
3 We are in Munich today.	We _____ in Berlin yesterday.
4 I'm in Italy this month.	I _____ in France last month.
5 My father's a pilot.	My grandfather _____ a pilot too.
6 It isn't open now.	It _____ open this morning.
7 Why aren't you at work today?	Why _____ you at work yesterday?

b Complete the dialogues with *was*, *wasn't*, *were*, or *weren't*.

- A Were you and Susan at the party last night?
 B Yes, we ¹ _____.
 A ² _____ it good?
 B No, it ³ _____. The music ⁴ _____ awful. Where ⁵ _____ you?
 A I ⁶ _____ ill.
 A Where ⁷ _____ you born?
 B I ⁸ _____ born in Australia in 1919.
 A ⁹ _____ your parents Australian?
 B No, they ¹⁰ _____. My mother ¹¹ _____ Italian and my father ¹² _____ Greek.

5B

a Rewrite the sentences in the past simple with *yesterday*.

Present	Past
I use the Internet.	<u>I used the Internet yesterday.</u>
1 I watch TV.	_____
2 Do you listen to the radio?	_____
3 We study English.	_____
4 He doesn't work.	_____
5 The film finishes at 7.00.	_____
6 I don't like the film.	_____
7 Does she smoke?	_____
8 They play tennis.	_____

b Complete the sentences with a verb in the past simple.

arrive not book land live stay
 not remember turn on want watch

- I turned on the TV.
 1 We _____ in a three-star hotel last year.
 2 They _____ a table and the restaurant was full.
 3 _____ you _____ the football on TV last night?
 4 Sorry, I _____ it was your birthday yesterday.
 5 I _____ with my parents when I was a student.
 6 Why _____ you _____ to be a doctor?
 7 He _____ late for work and the boss was angry.
 8 When the plane _____ she _____ her mobile phone.

5C

a Complete the text with the verbs in brackets in the past simple.

Yesterday was my birthday. (be)
 My boyfriend ¹ _____ me a beautiful jacket. (buy)
 In the evening we ² _____ out. (go)
 I ³ _____ my new jacket. (wear)
 We ⁴ _____ for a Chinese restaurant (look)
 but we ⁵ _____ find one, (not can)
 so we ⁶ _____ dinner in our favourite Italian restaurant. (have)
 After that we ⁷ _____ a film. (see)
 Then we ⁸ _____ two friends at a nightclub. (meet)
 We ⁹ _____ for two hours. (dance)
 We ¹⁰ _____ home until 3.00. (not get)
 I ¹¹ _____ very tired, (be)
 and I ¹² _____ straight to bed. (go)

b Complete the questions in the past simple.

- Did you go out last night? (you / go out)
 1 What _____? (you / wear)
 2 Where _____? (you / go)
 3 What _____? (you / do)
 4 _____ with you? (your sister / go)
 5 What _____ to eat? (you / have)
 6 What time _____? (the party / finish)
 7 What time _____? (you / get home)
 8 _____ a good time? (you / have)

Irregular verbs

PRESENT

He **is** in Rome. (be)
They **are** in Rome. (be)

PAST SIMPLE

was
were

PAST PARTICIPLE

been
been

The film **begins** at 7.00.
She **breaks** his heart.
They **bring** the papers.
We **build** roads.
I **buy** the bread.

began
broke
brought /brɔ:t/
built /bɪlt/
bought /bɔ:t/

begun
broken
brought
built
bought

I **can** swim.
They **catch** the bus.
She **comes** with her sister.
It **costs** a lot.

could /kʊd/
caught /kɔ:t/
came
cost

—
caught
come
cost

I **do** the housework.
They **drink** a lot of beer.
He **drives** a Rolls.

did
drank
drove

done /dʌn/
drunk
driven

I **eat** a lot.

ate

eaten

She **falls** in love.
I **feel** angry.
He **finds** a job.
We **fly** with British Airways.
I **forget** things.

fell
felt
found
flew /flu:/
forgot

fallen
felt
found
flown /fləʊn/
forgotten

I **get** e-mails.
He **gives** her presents.
They **go** away every weekend.

got
gave
went

got
given
gone /gɒn/

I **have** a car.
He **hears** a noise.

had
heard /hɜ:d/

had
heard

I **know** him well.

knew /nju:/

known /nəʊn/