



ADVENTURES IN LANGUAGE



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A Fill in the blanks with the necessary word or words listed in the boxes to form a complete sentence.

1. 你们 _____ 在哪里? Where were you **last Wednesday**?
Nǐmen _____ zài nǎlǐ?

上个 shàng ge	星期三 xīngqī sān
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2. 他 _____ 去学校了。 He just went to school **10 minutes ago**.
Tā _____ qù xuéxiào le.

刚刚 gānggang	十分钟前 shí fēnzhōng qián
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3. 我妈妈 _____ 是一个工程师。 My mom **used to** be an engineer (lit. My mom was an engineer before).
Wǒ māma _____ shì yíge gōngchéng shī.

以后 yǐhòu	以前 yǐqián
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4. 他们 _____ 去打篮球吗? Do they **often** go play basketball **around 10 o'clock**?
Tāmen _____ qù dǎ lánqiú ma?

常常 chángcháng	左右 zuǒyòu	十点 shí diǎn
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5. 我 _____ 去中国旅游。 I go traveling in China **every year**.
Wǒ _____ qù zhōngguó lǚyóu.

都 dōu	每年 měi nián
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B Correct the mistakes by changing, deleting, or adding words in the following sentences.

Incorrect Sentence

1. 飞机起飞十分钟后。
Fēijī qǐ fēi shí fēnzhōng hòu.
The plane will take off after 10 minutes.
2. 我去昨天超市了。
Wǒ qù zuótiān chāoshì le.
I went to the supermarket yesterday.
3. 我从前是一个老师。
Wǒ cóngqián shì yí ge lǎoshī.
I was a teacher before.

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Nǐmen **shàng ge xīngqī sān** zài nǎlǐ?

上个 shàng ge	星期三 xīngqī sān
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2. 他 **十分钟前刚刚** 去学校了。 He just went to school **10 minutes ago**.
Tā **shí fēnzhōng qián gānggang** qù xuéxiào le.

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3. 我妈妈 **以前** 是一个工程师。 My mom **used to** be an engineer (lit. My mom was an engineer before).
Wǒ māma **yǐqián** shì yíge gōngchéng shī.

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4. 他们 **常常十点左右** 去打篮球吗? Do they **often** go play basketball **around 10 o'clock**?
Tāmen **chángchang shí diǎn zuǒyòu** qù dǎ lánqiú ma?

常常 chángchang	左右 zuǒyòu	十点 shí diǎn
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5. 我 **每年都** 去中国旅游。 I go traveling in China **every year**.
Wǒ **měi nián dōu** qù zhōngguó lǚyóu.

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2. 我昨天去超市了。
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Wǒ yǐqián shì yí ge lǎoshī.

