

## 2 Translation

## Past simple and past continuous

- 1 James was waiting for a bus when he called me. \_\_\_\_\_
- 2 The author was writing his autobiography when he died. \_\_\_\_\_
- 3 Ian was walking around London when he saw a famous footballer. \_\_\_\_\_
- 4 What were you doing when you lost your keys? \_\_\_\_\_
- 5 While I was looking for my school bag I found my purse. \_\_\_\_\_
- 6 Katy didn't break her arm while she was skiing. \_\_\_\_\_

## Past perfect

- 1 Sarah looked in her bag but she had forgotten the tickets. \_\_\_\_\_
- 2 Did he know that he had written a best-seller? \_\_\_\_\_
- 3 When I got to the gym I realized I hadn't brought my sports bag. \_\_\_\_\_
- 4 We ran to the station but the train had gone. \_\_\_\_\_
- 5 Joe went to Sam's house but he had gone out with friends. \_\_\_\_\_
- 6 What did you do after you had heard the news? \_\_\_\_\_

## Past perfect time expressions

- 1 When we arrived at the cinema the film had already started. \_\_\_\_\_
- 2 By the time we had finished dinner it was 10 pm. \_\_\_\_\_
- 3 Did you see the film before you'd read the review? \_\_\_\_\_
- 4 I came home at 9 pm but by then they had gone out. \_\_\_\_\_
- 5 He was 50 years old before he had written a successful novel. \_\_\_\_\_
- 6 We had already waited for 30 minutes by the time the bus arrived. \_\_\_\_\_

## Revision

José Saramago was a Portuguese novelist from Azinhaga in Portugal who died in June 2010. He was married to a Spanish journalist from Granada, Pilar del Rio, and in the last years of his life they lived in Lanzarote. His books are fictional, sometimes political, and usually deal with unusual subjects – the autobiography of an elephant, for example, and the story of a country where nobody dies called *Death with Interruptions*. In 1998, Saramago won the Nobel Prize for Literature. By the time he died, he had sold over two million books in over 25 languages. Have you read any of his books?

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