



(Gr: 5, 9)

Johan Reinhard and his team were searching for ancient ruins in the Andes mountains of South America when they found three frozen mummies, two boys and a girl, in almost perfect condition. In 1995 Reinhard had already discovered the "Ice Maiden", a 500-year-old mummy of an Incan girl. But the new discovery was even bigger. It soon appeared that all three mummies were the best-preserved bodies from the civilization of the Incas. One of the mummies had been struck by lightning\*. Yet, all three were very lifelike. "I was looking at them and I suddenly realized that they were perfect," said Reinhard.

\*struck by lightning: *frappée par la foudre*

## Observer et comprendre

### 1. Observez.

- a. *Johan Reinhard and his team were searching for... when they found three frozen mummies...*
- b. *"I was looking at them and I suddenly realized that..."*

Quelle proposition exprime le mieux le sens de *Reinhard and his team were searching?*

Reinhard et son équipe :

1. terminaient des recherches.
2. faisaient des recherches.
3. allaient faire des recherches.

Parmi les quatre formes verbales en gras, lesquelles servent à décrire une action en déroulement? Lesquelles désignent un événement nouveau?

Quels temps utiliseriez-vous en français pour traduire les formes verbales en gras?

### 2. Observez.

- a. ...when they found three frozen mummies...
- b. In 1995 Reinhard had already discovered the "Ice Maiden" ...

Quelle a été, dans le temps, la première découverte faite par Reinhard? Les trois momies ou la « Jeune Fille de Glace »?

Que pouvez-vous dire de l'énoncé b?

1. Il nous dit ce qui s'est passé après l'énoncé a.
2. Il annonce ce qui va suivre.
3. Il fait un retour en arrière.

Lequel de ces deux énoncés est au *pluperfect* et lequel au *prétérit*? Quel est l'auxiliaire du *pluperfect*? Quelle est la forme du verbe?

Relevez un autre *pluperfect* dans le texte. A-t-il la même valeur?

## Pratiquer

### 3. Mettez le verbe entre parenthèses

**au prétérit simple, au prétérit *be + ing* ou au pluperfect.**

*Two kids (play) in a mine in eastern Washington State when they (find) the carpus<sup>1</sup> of a mastodon. Tests later (show) that it (be) 4.5 million years old.*

*It (be) one million years older than the fossil which an archaeologist (find) two years before in the same place.*

*When they (spot) the wreck<sup>2</sup> of "The Revenge", John Ruskin and his crew (sail) in peaceful waters in the Caribbean Sea. John (never/hear) of the dreaded pirate Blackbeard and his ship. Among the sunken treasures, John and his crew (find) guns, cannonballs and a bell dated 1709. They also (discover) that the pirates (hide) a trunk full of jewels in the captain's cabin.*

1. carpus: *carpe (os de la patte)* – 2. wreck: *épave de bateau*

### 4. Traduisez.

Sir Marmaduke Candlestick avançait lentement dans la jungle lorsqu'il se rendit soudain compte qu'il avait oublié de prendre sa carte. Il se retourna et vit qu'il était seul: son guide avait disparu. Il regarda tout autour de lui et sentit soudain que quelqu'un l'observait...

## Produire

### 5. Donnez une suite (70 mots environ) à ce début de récit.

*An Alabama farmer who was ploughing\* her field found her tractor suddenly blocked by a huge stone lying only one foot below the surface of the ground. What she later found under the stone was the most fascinating discovery of her life...*

\*plough: *labouer*

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