

INTERMEDIATE TENSES 1

On Monday, just as I **(TRY)** _____ to wind down after a long working day, the telephone **(RING)** _____: "Is that you, Helen?" someone asked on the phone. "Yes, this **(BE)** _____ me," I replied. "Sandra speaking, my friend. I need to talk to you right now," she said in a desperate voice. She was a quiet girl who always tried not to call you when you **(just/ ARRIVE)** _____ from work. She never wanted to disturb her friends, so I knew something serious **(GO)** _____ on. "I **(not/ HEAR)** _____ from you in a week. What **(you/ DO)** _____ lately?" I asked Sandra. "To tell you the truth," she said "I **(HAVE)** _____ a lot of problems with my boyfriend recently," she continued. "**(you/WANT)** _____ to talk about it?" I asked. I **(not/ FINISH)** _____ saying the phrase that she started crying. "You **(not/ BELIEVE)** _____ what happened to me last week," she said. "It was Saturday morning and my boyfriend **(TELL)** _____ me he **(PICK)** _____ me up at 8 pm to go out for dinner at a fancy restaurant downtown. Eight o'clock arrived. I was at home, ready to **(PICK)** _____ up. It was nine o'clock and my boyfriend **(not/ APPEAR)** _____ or **(CALL)** _____. I **(BEGIN)** _____ to get worried



when my telephone **(RING)** _____: "Your boyfriend is cheating on you! You can catch him red-handed at this very moment. Go to Rodham road and Sixth and you'll see..." I could not believe what I **(just/ HEAR)** _____ buy anyway, I went to the place the female voice **(INDICATE)** _____ and there he was: he **(KISS)** _____ a girl as he **(never/ KISS)** _____ me before. When he saw me he said that he **(BE)** _____ sorry and promised he **(never/ DO)** _____ it again. I don't know what to do. I love him but he **(really/ HURT)** _____ my feelings. Tell me, Helen, what **(you/DO)** _____ if you were me?" Sandra asked me. "Look, if I **(BE)** _____ you, I **(FORGIVE)** _____ him temporarily until I **(GET)** _____ a new, better candidate," I replied. "I don't know," she said. "I think everything will depend on his next move. If he **(CALL)** _____ me and apologizes for what he **(DO)** _____, I guess I **(GIVE)** _____ him a second chance. I love him and I want to be happy with him. What do you think, Helen?" she asked me. "I think you **(not/ NEED)** _____ my opinion; you **(already/ MAKE)** _____ a decision. I just hope it **(BE)** _____ the right one," I said.