

Complete the sentences using: past simple, past continuous, used to, would or keep + -ing. More than one answer may be possible in each space.

Small change, big impact: TEXT 1

I (1) _____ (drive) my flatmate crazy because I (2) _____ (lose) my keys around the house so often. I (3) _____ (put) them down in a special spot and then (4) _____ (forget) where that special spot was. I (5) _____ (spend) ages looking for them. Finally, my flatmate (6) _____ (put up) a key holder by our front door and (7) _____ (insist) that I hung my keys there. It (8) _____ (be) simple, but life-changing. I haven't lost my keys since!

Small change, big impact: TEXT 2

I (1) _____ (look) for ways to simplify my life when I (2) _____ (read) that many successful people (3) _____ (wear) the same thing every day, like a uniform. Apparently, these people (4) _____ (save) a lot of time and mental energy by doing this. I (5) _____ (not have) a lot of money to spend on new clothes, so I (6) _____ (build) my uniform over time. I (7) _____ (decide) to buy clothes that were navy, white or brown. I (8) _____ (think) it might be boring, but it has definitely made my life easier.

Small change, big impact: TEXT 3

I (1) _____ (find) writing in English difficult. I (2) _____ (can) think of ideas, but I (3) _____ (make) a lot of mistakes. I (4) _____ (complain) in class one day when my teacher (5) _____ (suggest) that I read my work aloud to check it. I (6) _____ (be) surprised to find that it actually (7) _____ (help). I (8) _____ (do) it and my writing has become a lot more accurate.