

E. Do you know where the idea for the dishwasher (come)
from? In the 1880s, a woman called Josephine Cochrane
(decide) she needed help with the dishes. Cochrane
(be) a rich woman. She (have) many parties at her
house and there were always a lot of dirty dishes. Cochrane's servants
often (break) her expensive dishes so
she (decide) to invent a machine to do the job. Today
dishwashers (be) common in many homes, but in my
family we (wash) our dishes by hand. My sisters and I
(not like) doing the dishes, but my parents say they
never (buy) a dishwasher.