PRACTICE 1

Read the text below and correct the underlined errors. For each question, write the correct word in the space provided.

Jason was just about to leave the bank when he (0) see it.
The diamond was right there, on the table. It (1) is the size of a grape and (2) sparkling like a miniature star, calling out to him.
Jason looked around. There was a bank officer on the other side of the room, but her head was in her papers. 'Surely,' (3) they thought, 'Surely there (4) is cameras.' He imagined picking up the diamond, walking out (5) into the building, but a week later, a knock on his front door…
A wild thought (6) crossing his mind – it was a test. The people at the bank were simply testing him. Maybe they were (7) had a security training exercise and they had chosen this moment to see what would (8) happened if someone took the diamond.

But a diamond that size, if it was real (and from the way it caught the fluorescent lights Jason knew it had to be real), would solve all his problems. His mother could go to a doctor. His sister's college fees would be paid for. Okay, maybe he wouldn't live happily ever after, but it would make life a lot simpler…

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