

Test 11.**THE GHOST**

When Mr Hiram B. Otis, the American Minister, **(decide)** _____ to buy Chase, everyone **(tell)** _____ him that it **(be)** _____ a foolish thing to do. There **(be)** _____ no doubt that a ghost **(live)** _____ in the house. Indeed, Lord Canterville himself **(mention)** _____ the fact to Mr Otis when they **(discuss)** _____ the sale.

"We **(live, not)** _____ in the place ourselves," **(say)** _____ Lord Canterville, the day when my grand-aunt **(frighten)** _____ by the ghost. It **(happen)** _____ many years My grand-aunt **(dress)** _____ for dinner when she suddenly **(feel)** _____ two skeleton hands being placed on her shoulders. The fright **(make)** _____ her ill, and she never really recovered."

"I **(believe, not)** _____ in ghost." **(say)** _____ Mr Otis.

"I **(must, tell)** _____ you, Mr Otis, that the ghost **(see)** _____ by several living members of our family, as well as by the local priest."

"My Lord," **(say)** _____ Mr Otis, "I **(want, buy)** _____ this house. I **(come)** _____ from a modern country where everything **(have)** _____ its value in money. If there **(be)** _____ such a thing as a ghost in Europe, an American **(buy)** _____ it."

Lord Canterville **(smile)** _____. "There really **(be)** _____ a ghost. It **(live)** _____ in the house for three centuries, since 1584 in fact. It always **(appear)** _____ before the death of any member of our family.

"Well, so does the family doctor, no doubt, Lord Canterville."

A few weeks later Mr Otis and his family **(move)** _____ to Canterville Chase.

Test 12.**THE WINCHESTER MYSTERY**

One night Mrs Joyce **(drive)** _____ car from Winchester to Chilcomb with a friend of the family, Mr Ted Pratt.

Suddenly they **(see)** _____ an orange light in the sky. The car **(start)** _____ to shake and Mrs Bowles **(can, not)** _____ control it. Some unknown power **(lift)** _____ it, then **(push)** _____ to the left, then **(stop)** _____ the engine and **(switch off)** _____ the lights.

"It was then that we **(see)** _____ a cigar-shaped object about five yards long. There **(be)** _____ three figures inside," said Mrs Bowles. The three figures **(be)** _____ the crew of the UFO. Mrs Bowles said that she **(be, never)** _____ so frightened before.

At first, the alien crew **(look)** _____ like ordinary people. They **(wear)** _____ silver clothes. Then an alien **(come out)** _____ of the UFO. He **(be)** _____ quite tall and **(seem)** _____ to be about forty-five years old. He **(have)** _____ long fair hair and a short beard. He **(put)** _____ his arm the roof of the car and **(look)** _____ at the two frightened people inside. He **(have)** _____ clear, white skin and pink eyes.

Mrs Bowles **(be afraid)** _____ that the alien **(kill)** _____ them, but he only **(look)** _____ at the car's instruments. Suddenly the lights **(switch on)** _____ and they **(shine)** _____ four times brighter than normal. Mrs Bowles **(want, say)** _____ "Thank you" but before she **(open)** _____ her mouth the UFO and its crew **(disappear, already)** _____ into the night.

Test 13.**MISS EVANS**

One night in April 1912, a new ocean liner was crossing the Atlantic. It **(set out)** _____ two days before and **(go)** _____ to New York. It **(be)** _____ the largest and fastest ship in the world called *Titanic*.

The passengers **(have)** _____ a good time when the ship suddenly **(hit)** _____ an iceberg.

Everyone **(tell)** _____ to come out of their rooms. Unfortunately, there **(be, not)** _____ enough lifeboats for all the passengers.

There **(be, not)** _____ very much time left. The iceberg **(be)** _____ on one side of the ship. It **(look)** _____ like a high, white wall.

A woman **(come)** _____ to the side of the ship. Her two children **(be)** _____ in one of the lifeboats, and she **(be)** _____ very much afraid.

"My children **(be)** _____ in the lifeboat. I **(must, go)** _____ with them!" the woman **(call)** _____ to the people in the lifeboat.

"There's no more room," someone **(call out)** _____. "If we **(take)** _____ one more, the lifeboat **(sink)** _____."

There **(be)** _____ a young woman in the lifeboat called Miss Evans. When she **(hear)** _____ the woman calling, she **(stand up)** _____ in the lifeboat and **(touch)** _____ one of the men on the arm.

"Let me **(get back)** _____ to the ship," she said. "This woman **(must, be)** _____ with her children."

"The ship **(sink)** _____. Very soon it **(go down)** _____ under the water," said the man.

"I **(know)** _____ it," said Miss Evans.

People **(help)** _____ her to get back on the ship. Very soon after that there **(be)** _____ great noise, and the *Titanic* **(go down)** _____ under the water.

Test 14.**AN INTERVIEW FOR A JOB**

On Wednesday I had an important interview for a job. I **(get up)** _____ at 7 o'clock in the morning and **(shave)** _____ carefully. I **(put on)** _____ my best jacket and trousers. I **(must, travel)** _____ by train, so I **(walk)** _____ to the station.

On my way I **(see)** _____ a man who **(paint)** _____ his fence with red paint. The man **(notice, not)** _____ me: he **(look)** _____ at the fence. Then he **(turn)** _____ suddenly and **(splash)** _____ my beautiful trousers! The man **(apologise)** _____ to me, but the damage **(already, do)** _____.

"If I **(go)** _____ home, I **(be late)** _____ for the interview," I **(think)** _____. There **(be)** _____ a department store not far from the so far from the station so I **(decide)** _____ to buy a new pair.

I **(find)** _____ a nice pair of trousers and since I **(be)** _____ in a hurry, I **(decide)** _____ to change on the train. The shop **(be)** _____ so I **(pay)** _____ hurriedly for my trousers, **(take)** _____ my shopping bag and **(leave)** _____.

I **(arrive)** _____ at the station just in time to catch the train. Now I **(be sure)** _____ that I **(be late, not)** _____ for the interview. I **(smile)** _____ happily at an elderly lady who **(stare)** _____ at my trousers and **(go)** _____ to the toilet to change. I **(throw)** _____ my stained trousers out of the window. Then I **(open)** _____ the bag to get my new ones, but all I **(find)** _____ ink woolen sweater!

Test 15.**GOOD LUCK, CARL!**

Carl lives in Glasgow. He **(ought, be)** _____ in *The Guinness Book of Records* because he **(have)** _____ a terrible time this year.

The trouble **(start)** _____ one fine morning at the beginning of January when Carl **(find)** _____ that his car **(disappear)** _____ from his garage. He **(see, not)** _____ - it since that In February he **(buy)** _____ a new car, but he **(have, not)** _____ it for more than two weeks when he **(crash)** _____ into a lamp-post.

Three days ago Carl **(sit)** _____ on a seat that **(paint)** _____ only a few minutes before. He **(wear)** _____ a brand-new suit that he **(buy)** _____ only the previous week.

In the summer Carl **(spend)** _____ his holiday at the seaside. When he **(arrive)** _____ home, he **(discover)** _____ that his house **(break into)** _____. His television and video-recorder **(disappear)** _____.

Now poor Carl **(know, not)** _____ what he **(do)** _____ to deserve this bad luck. He just **(hope)** _____ that his luck **(change)** _____ soon.