16 **Fill in with the *past simple* or the *past perfect*.**



The biggest event in Tom's life 1) ...happened... **(happen)** by chance. He 2) ..... **(be)** 22 years old and he 3) ..... **(just/graduate)** from university. He was looking for a job. He 4) ..... **(want)** to be a journalist but he 5) ..... **(know)** he 6) ..... **(not/have)** enough experience. You see, as a student, he 7) ..... **(spend)** most of his time in the university theatre. He 8) ..... **(apply)** to many newspapers but he 9) ..... **(not/receive)** any replies. Then one day, the phone 10) ..... **(ring)**. It was a woman who 11) ..... **(offer)** him a job as an actor. She 12) ..... **(see)** him in a play at the university and 13) ..... **(enjoy)** the performance. He 14) ..... **(take)** the job and ever since then he's been a very successful actor. Last night he 15) ..... **(discover)** he 16) ..... **(win)** an award for his performance in the play.

Complete the sentences with the correct form of the words in brackets. Use up to six words, including the words in brackets. Do not change the order of the words in brackets.

1 I just confronted my friend and she has finally _____ (admit / take) my laptop yesterday.
2 The student tried to _____ (pass / essay) her own, despite having copied it.
3 After collecting them at school, Stephen _____ (lie / mother) his exam results.
4 In his letter, he explains his _____ (reasons / oppose) the new leadership.
5 I don't understand your _____ (interest / read) my text messages.
6 I _____ (offer / accompany) my sister to the doctor's yesterday.
7 This morning, my mother _____ (remind / pack) my bag for my holiday.
8 Everybody is _____ (blame / break) the window, but it wasn't my fault.
9 I _____ (apologise / forget) her name, but she just laughed.
10 They couldn't _____ (deny / vandalise) the bus stop because they were caught red-handed.

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