PAST TENSES + STATIVE & ACTION VERBS (B2)

Instructions: Complete the story with the correct form of the verb in brackets. Use the appropriate past tense.

Last summer, Emma (1) _____ (decide) to visit her grandmother, who (2) _____ (live) alone in an old house near the forest. Emma (3) _____ (not / see) her for years, but she always (4) _____ (believe) the house (5) _____ (be) a strange place.

When she (6) _____ (arrive), the sun (7) _____ (set), and everything (8) _____ (seem) unusually quiet. Her grandmother (9) _____ (wait) at the door and (10) _____ (smile), but Emma (11) _____ (feel) that something was wrong.

During dinner, her grandmother (12) _____ (tell) her that she (13) _____ (hear) noises for several nights. She (14) _____ (not / understand) what (15) _____ (happen), but she (16) _____ (think) someone (17) _____ (try) to enter the house.

Later that night, while Emma (18) _____ (try) to sleep, she suddenly (19) _____ (hear) a noise downstairs. She (20) _____ (get up) and (21) _____ (go) to investigate. As she (22) _____ (walk) through the hallway, she (23) _____ (notice) that the lights (24) _____ (flicker).

When she (25) _____ (enter) the living room, she realized that someone (26) _____ (open) the window. She was sure she (27) _____ (close) it earlier, and she (28) _____ (know) no one else was in the house.

At that moment, she (29) _____ (feel) a cold wind and (30) _____ (turn) around quickly, but she (31) _____ (not / see) anything. She (32) _____ (stand) still, and she (33) _____ (wonder) what (34) _____ (happen).

She suddenly (35) _____ (realize) that she (36) _____ (ignore) several strange details since she (37) _____ (arrive). She also (38) _____ (remember) that her grandmother (39) _____ (mention) similar events years before.

The next morning, after they (40) _____ (talk), Emma (41) _____ (decide) to leave. She (42) _____ (not / want) to stay any longer because she (43) _____ (feel) that something in the house (44) _____ (watch) her.

In the end, she never (45) _____ (forget) that night, and she still (46) _____ (believe) that some mysteries cannot be explained.

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