

Fill in the correct form of the verbs in brackets. Use past or present perfect tense - simple or progressive.

Dear Janet

I hope you're OK. Unfortunately, I'm not. The doctor _____ (**COME**) yesterday. He _____ (**NOT LIKE**) my cough. I _____ (**LIE**) in bed since Tuesday, and I can't stand it anymore. I _____ (**NEVER BE**) ill like this before - don't know what's the matter with me.

And the weather's terrible, too. It _____ (**RAIN**) the whole week and I can't even have a cup of tea in the morning to cheer myself up, because the milkman _____ (**NOT COME**) this morning. Don't know why - I'm pretty sure I _____ (**PAY**) his bill.

Alice _____ (**GET**) married last week, so now all Mary's kids _____ (**LEAVE**) home. She won't know what to do with herself, will she?

Lucy Millmann is moving to Doncaster next month. Since Fred _____ (**DIE**) of a heart attack she _____ (**BE**) all alone. I'm sorry she's going. We _____ (**BE**) neighbours for over twenty years and she _____ (**ALWAYS , BE**) friendly and helpful to me.

Jessica, my cleaning lady, _____ (**LEAVE**) a few days ago. I'm glad. I _____ (**NOT TRUST**) her since she _____ (**BREAK**) all those plates and _____ (**SAY**) it _____ (**BE**) the cat.

The village _____ (**NOT CHANGE**) very much. A new family _____ (**TAKE**) over the grocery store recently. They seem quite nice. I hope they are more efficient than the last shopkeeper.

So that's about it. Please write to me when there's something new.

Love, Patricia

Complete the sentences using the simple form of the past or past perfect tense.

1. By the time we _____ to the stadium, the performance _____, so we missed the first two songs. **(GET, ALREADY START)**
2. When we _____ in Spain the airport management told us that they _____ our luggage. **(ARRIVE, LOSE)**
3. After I _____ a large meal, I _____ to feel sick. **(HAVE, START)**
4. The shoes were very clean because I _____ hours cleaning them. **(SPEND)**
5. It _____ his first trip to India. He _____ there several times before. **(NOT BE, BE)**
6. My neighbour told me that she _____ a new car a month before. **(BUY)**
7. Yesterday I _____ downtown to see Peter. I _____ him for months. **(GO, NOT MEET)**
8. I _____ *Matrix* for the first time yesterday. I _____ it before. **(SEE, NEVER SEE)**
9. She _____ him for very long when she _____ to get married. **(NOT KNOW, DECIDE)**
10. When he _____, the party was over. Everyone _____. **(ARRIVE, ALREADY LEAVE)**
11. I was happy after I _____ my first lesson as an instructor. **(FINISH)**
12. I visited the hospital where the ambulance _____ my mother. **(TAKE)**
13. Everyone _____ the house by the time I _____ home. **(LEAVE, COME)**
14. As soon as he _____ the old clock on the wall it _____ again. **(REPAIR, BREAK)**
15. I _____ a new car because my old one _____. **(BUY, BE STEAL)**
16. The teacher asked me why I _____ my homework. **(NOT DO)**