Theft at Eagleton Manor Part 2

At half past eight, Samms _____ (solve) the case. At a quarter to nine, he _____ (talk) to Sergeant Robertson of the local police and _____ (give) him some instructions. At nine o'clock, he _____ (ask) the butler to bring Harry Richards and Becky Morris to him.

You two _____ (lie) from the beginning of the investigation. By the way, Sergeant Robertson _____ (find) the necklace hidden in the car. (you/think, really) you could fool me?

Please, sir! I (not tell) the truth, I know, but I (not touch) that necklace! And Harry (not take) it, either!

That's right, Detective Inspector! We (not do) anything illegal, I swear to God!



Ha! I'm certain you (not steal) the necklace. You _____ (not know) that it _____ (rain) from 5:02 to 5:30. That's why you _____ (give) me those ridiculous alibis. "Washing the car," indeed! In the rain! And Becky " " (see) you, too! I believe you _____ (be) both in the cellar, am I right? You two are sweethearts, aren't you?

We love each other, sir. I _____ (fall)in love with Becky the first time I _____ (see) her. We _____ (want) to be alone for a while, that's why we _____ (hide) in the cellar. We (talk) about our future together. We plan to get married and live on a farm.



And you _____ (kiss), too, no doubt. You (unscrew) the light bulb so that anyone who _____ (come) into the cellar wouldn't see you. Smart thinking. That explains why the cook _____ (find) the light out. In any case, you are free to go. We (arrest) the thief fifteen minutes ago.

Really, sir?! Who (be) the thief??





Alice Appleby, of course. She _____ (be) the only person – apart from Lady Margaret – who _____ (know) the jewellery was unlocked. She _____ (pretend) to be cold, _____ (refuse) the butler's help and _____ (run) to Lady Margaret's bedroom to steal the necklace. She _____ (have) little time, so she _____ (rush) to her room and _____ (grab) the first shawl she _____ (see). That's why she _____ (end) up looking like a clown – and she's always so well-dressed, I _____ (not believe) that she actually _____ (think) carefully for about her choice of shawl. Sophie Eagleton _____ (confirm) this for me. Then Mrs Appleby _____ (put) on a mackintosh and wellies she _____ (borrow) from the hall and _____ (hide) the necklace in the car. If the police _____ (find) it, they would accuse the chauffeur. If we _____ (not find) the necklace, she and her husband would get it when you _____ (drive) them back to London. Oh yes, we _____ (arrest) Mr Appleby, too. The Italian police suspect both of them for a lot of jewellery thefts that _____ (happen) in Rome when they _____ (live) there.

Go now, you naughty kids, and be happy together. I wish you the best of luck!

The End.