



USE OF ENGLISH

3 Complete the text with the correct form of the verbs in brackets.

"I have seen the Loch Ness Monster and nothing can take that away from me"

Ian Cameron, a retired officer of the Northern Police force, lives with his wife Jessie in Inverness, Scotland, on the shore of Loch Ness. He loves fishing and every weekend he and his friend, Willie Frazer, _____ (take out) the fishing equipment and sit by the lake. Long ago, something unusual happened to them.

"Well, we're talking about an incident that happened approximately 50 years ago, exactly on June 22nd, 1965," said Ian. "I _____ (fish) for trout with a friend on the south part of Loch Ness when I _____ (see) something break the surface of the water. I closed my eyes and then looked back again only to see the movement on the water had disappeared.

At first I thought my eyes had played a trick on me, but then I realised it _____ (+be) Nessie. At that moment I asked my friend if he _____ (see) anything strange but he said he hadn't.

After this incident, we decided to go on fishing. We caught some more trout and were about to leave when I saw something on the surface of the water again. It was a large creature that submerged, only to reappear a matter of seconds later.

I called my friend Willie and when he approached, we realised the creature was coming towards us; in fact I'd say it stopped about 200 or 300 metres from where we _____ (stand). If we had not run away, it _____ (kill) us!

That was the only time I saw Nessie. I _____ (never see) it again since that moment. I don't mind _____ (talk) to people who say the creature does not exist. All that matters to me is that I've seen it, and nothing can take that away from me. I know I _____ (never forget) what I saw that day.