

1. Read the following newspaper article and fill in each blank with **one** word only.

The New York Times

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DOCTORS WITHOUT BORDERS' VOLUNTEER IS SET FREE AFTER TWO YEARS

A Dutch volunteer working for **Doctors Without Borders** organisation _____ kidnapped almost two years ago in Nigeria, Africa. Luckily, after several police operations, he is now a free man again.

The volunteer, Bernard Royards, talked to the local reporters: "I feel fantastic now and I want to thank the Nigerian police because I would have been dead now _____ they hadn't found me on time."

Two years ago, Mr. Royards was walking from his village to the local town when three men intercepted him.

The men, _____ were carrying guns, pushed him inside a car and took him away. Once in the car, they hit Royards so hard _____ he fainted.

When he woke up he was inside a dark room. "Why are they doing this to me?" he wondered. Suddenly, he started thinking that maybe _____ the police nor his organisation would find him alive.

_____ he tried to escape, he soon realised it was impossible. He wasn't strong _____ to fight against three men. He was getting desperate.

Later that day, one of the men brought him some water. "You've been in this room _____ midday and you haven't drunk any water. In Europe you can survive without water for some days, _____ in Africa you will surely die in hours. It's too hot here. Drink now, we need you alive!"

During the two years he stayed in that dark room Mr. Royards _____ his hair and beard cut, his clothes washed and he wrote letters to his family to tell them he was fine.

2. Felicia Brown is a volunteer in Peru. Read about her life there and put the verbs in brackets in the correct tense. Whenever you see a + use a modal verb.

My dream has always been to help people in need. I decided that before getting a job in the city I _____ (+ do) some volunteer work. I _____ (already work) as a volunteer with **Doctors Without Borders** for two years now.

A friend of mine, who is a nurse, applied to become a volunteer and she _____ (send) to Uganda. When she came back, she told me about this organisation. Later that year, I also applied and I was accepted as a member of the organisation.

The first place I visited as a volunteer was Indonesia. I arrived a week after the Tsunami _____ (hit) the coast of the country. My first week there was an unforgettable experience: there were lots of bodies on the coasts and hundreds of injured people who needed care. We _____ (+ help) in the local hospital from 5 o'clock in the morning until 11 o'clock at night. I wasn't used to _____ (work) that much, so the fourth day I fainted while I _____ (give) the medicine to one of my patients. That day I felt I wanted to go back home. Luckily, my workmates were really nice and supportive. If they _____ (not talk) to me that day, I _____ (return) to Boston immediately. I know I would feel sorry now.

At present I am working as a volunteer in Peru. We _____ (stay) here until next year; we are helping the victims of the August 15 earthquake.