Extra Training

Use of English
Task 9328

For questions 1-12, read the text below and think of the word from the column on the right, which best fits each gap. Drag the chosen word into the correct sentence. There are four extra words!

The Strange Portrait

For many years the owners and visitors of Heale house in Devon were aware of a mysterious presence in the mansion. **1**_____ single night, a female figure would appear in a haze of blue and drift **2**_____ the fifteen-room house. The lady wore Edwardian clothes and terrified witnesses claimed she was always accompanied by the sound **3**_____ piano music.

The owners of the old house could **4**_____ explain this haunting as no one knew who the ghost could **5**_____.

Then one day, the owner, Alan Smith was approached by a junk dealer **6**_____ gave him an old painting that she believed belonged to the house. Mr. Smith was shocked to see **7**_____ the picture of a woman sitting at a piano, the same piano still in his drawing room, bore a striking resemblance **8**_____ the mysterious ghost in his home.

Now very curious **9**_____ the woman, Mr. Smith began to dig deeper into the history of the house and its previous occupants. He eventually discovered that the woman in the picture was a lady called Mrs. Bell, who **10**_____ lived in the house at the beginning of the 20th century.

Unfortunately, she soon got into money difficulties and lost **11**_____ her possessions. Mrs. Bell died not long after these sad events.

Strangely, as soon as Mr. Smith returned the portrait to its rightful place on his drawing room wall, the ghost of Mrs. Bell vanished and has not **12**_____ seen ever since.

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