

# May Exam

## Tenses !

This Richard, who is my grammar teacher. He \_\_\_\_\_ (**be**) my teacher **since** I \_\_\_\_\_ (**start**) the semester. However, he \_\_\_\_\_ (**show up**) late because we didn't have a teacher for this subject. He \_\_\_\_\_ (**take**) the charge just a month **after** the classes started.

Richard is a funny guy and his lessons \_\_\_\_\_ (**be**) relaxed. We \_\_\_\_\_ (**see**) three authors and 8 units **so far**. He \_\_\_\_\_ (**not like**) giving homework so much, but we **must** \_\_\_\_\_ (**read**) the material before every lesson. He says that **if** we \_\_\_\_\_ (**keep**) track of the reading material regularly, we \_\_\_\_\_ (**not have**) to study for the exams.

He **sometimes** \_\_\_\_\_ (**forget**) the topics we are seeing and has to reread it because he loses his notes. I believe that **if** he \_\_\_\_\_ (**be**) more organised, he \_\_\_\_\_ (**not have**) this problem.

Last week, **while** he \_\_\_\_\_ (**give**) the lesson of the day, he couldn't \_\_\_\_\_ (**find**) the notes he had taken. Apparently, he \_\_\_\_\_ (**forget**) them at home. **If** he \_\_\_\_\_ (**make**) sure to put them in his suitcase the night **before**, he \_\_\_\_\_ (**take**) them with him.

We \_\_\_\_\_ (**review**) for the exam **now**. **By next week**, we \_\_\_\_\_ (**have**) our third exam in this semester.

## Tenses II

I heard how my parents died. My brother and I \_\_\_\_\_ (Sit) in a looked bedroom and could only listen. We heard the knife stabs until their screams \_\_\_\_\_ (stop). The police decided that our parents \_\_\_\_\_ (accidentally/kill) during the robbery. I never believed it. In our neighborhood no one \_\_\_\_\_ (have) any money, especially immigrants like us.

After a month in the orphanage, we \_\_\_\_\_ (pick up) by the only relative in the states – a woman \_\_\_\_\_ (name) Randolph, a medium, our grandmother. Our mom \_\_\_\_\_ (never/talk) about her and hid away her letters without opening them. I think that Mrs. Randolph \_\_\_\_\_ (think) that she cared about us. She... taught us. I still remember rituals, prayers and constant promises \_\_\_\_\_ (reveal) what \_\_\_\_\_ (happen) to our parents, but later. It was always later, when we \_\_\_\_\_ (be) ready.

My brother was the first one \_\_\_\_\_ (escape) – he joined the police force. I left her after. I, like my mother before, \_\_\_\_\_ (not respond) to her letters. They were just another promise to reveal some secret if I \_\_\_\_\_ (came) back. When they stopped, I \_\_\_\_\_ (sigh) with relief, finally.

A local lawyer \_\_\_\_\_ (visit) shortly after. Grandma \_\_\_\_\_ (kill), stabbed with a knife. They suspect a robbery. Voices of my parents came back and... they are not alone. Our town is eating itself. Death \_\_\_\_\_ (come) for our people, for my friends. I... I can't take it anymore. Grandmother was trying \_\_\_\_\_ (understand) what was wrong. She had the intention \_\_\_\_\_ (tell) us and... I'm starting to believe her. If only I \_\_\_\_\_ (do) so.

Crimes \_\_\_\_\_ (solve) by her, she helped the police \_\_\_\_\_ (find) the perpetrators. I must \_\_\_\_\_ (take) her place. I have to go back to her house. My brother and I \_\_\_\_\_ (reveal) who did this!

## Paraphrasing

- 1) The police didn't use dogs. They didn't find the perpetrator.

If the police \_\_\_\_\_.

- 2) My brother is a police officer who needs my help.

It is my brother \_\_\_\_\_.

It is my help \_\_\_\_\_.

3) He can solve our parents' murder mystery because he is a cop.  
If he \_\_\_\_\_.

4) Every day he will send me a new case.  
A new \_\_\_\_\_.

5) I can use divination rituals to uncover new clues.  
Divination rituals \_\_\_\_\_.  
It is new clues \_\_\_\_\_.

6) My brother trusts me because I know dowsing.  
The reason \_\_\_\_\_.

7) My brother will only accept my help if I convince him of my skills.  
Unless \_\_\_\_\_.

8) People believed our grand mother was a medium.  
Our grandmother \_\_\_\_\_.

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