

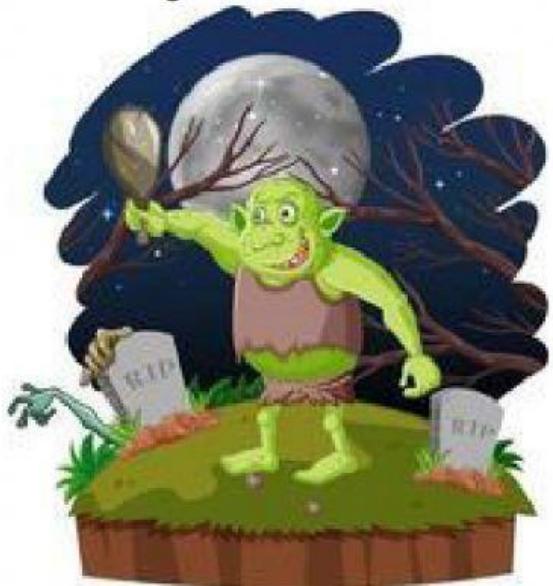
## The mystery story.

Listen to the story and type the missing past tense irregular verb.

Last night I \_\_\_\_\_ walking home next to the river Thames, when something strange happened to me. It \_\_\_\_\_ late at night and I had had a long and difficult day at work.

There \_\_\_\_\_ a large full moon in the sky and everything \_\_\_\_\_ quiet. I was tired and lonely and I'd just had a few pints of beer in my local pub, so I decided to stop by the riverside and look at the moon for a while. I \_\_\_\_\_ on some steps very close to the water's edge and looked up at the big yellow moon and wondered if it really \_\_\_\_\_ of cheese. I \_\_\_\_\_ very tired so I closed my eyes and after a few minutes, I \_\_\_\_\_ asleep.

When I \_\_\_\_\_ up, the moon had moved behind a cloud and it \_\_\_\_\_ very dark and cold. The wind \_\_\_\_\_ blowing and an owl hooted in a tree above me. I rubbed my eyes and started to get up, when suddenly I \_\_\_\_\_ a splash. I looked down at the water and \_\_\_\_\_ something. Something terrible and frightening, and unlike anything I'd ever seen before. Something \_\_\_\_\_ coming out of the water and moving towards me. Something green and strange and ugly. It \_\_\_\_\_ a long green arm and it was stretching out from the water to grab my leg. I was so scared that I couldn't move. I'd never been so scared in my whole life. The cold green hand was moving closer and closer



when suddenly there \_\_\_\_\_ a blue flash and a strange noise from behind me. Someone jumped onto the stairs next to me. He was wearing strange clothes and he \_\_\_\_\_ a crazy look in his eyes. He shouted "Get Back!" and pointed something at the monster in the water. There was a bright flash and the monster hissed and disappeared.

I looked up at the man. He looked strange, but kind. "Don't fall asleep by the river when there's a full moon", he \_\_\_\_\_ "The Moon Goblins will get you." I'd never heard of moon goblins before. I didn't know what to do. "Who... who are you?" I asked him. "You can call me... The Doctor." He \_\_\_\_\_. I was trying to think of something else to say when he turned around and \_\_\_\_\_, "Watch the stars at night, and be careful of the full moon". I was trying to understand what he \_\_\_\_\_, when there \_\_\_\_\_ another blue flash and I closed my eyes. When I opened them again, he had gone.

I couldn't believe what had happened. What on earth were Moon Goblins, and who \_\_\_\_\_ the mysterious Doctor? And why had he saved me? I \_\_\_\_\_ up, looked at the moon and quickly walked home.