

B Complete the text using these words.

clue disappearances evidence hoax researchers witnesses

There have been many cases of strange (1) _____ in the world, but one of the strangest is the case of David Lang. The story goes that on 23rd September 1880, while walking through a field in Tennessee near his home and being watched by several (2) _____, David Lang disappeared in mid-step. His wife and the others present ran to see what had happened to him, but they didn't find even one (3) _____ to help them solve the mystery. Lang had simply vanished. Some time later, the spot where Lang had disappeared was marked by a circle of yellowed grass almost five metres across. Nothing ever grew there again.

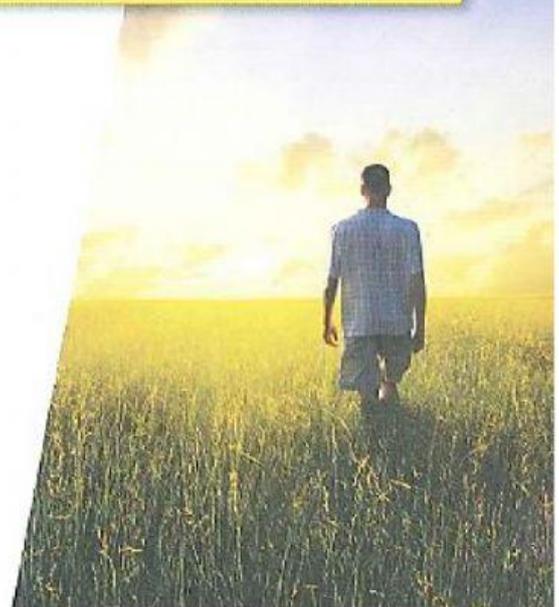
While the case of David Lang has become well-known, most (4) _____ who have studied this case believe that it is a(n) (5) _____. They point out that, despite lengthy investigations, no (6) _____ has been found that Lang even existed. Many believe that the story was made up by a journalist in the 1880s. It could be that the truth of the matter will never be known.

C Complete the table with *break*, *keep*, *make* and *save*.

_____	_____	_____	_____
a promise	a difference	a habit	your strength
in touch	trouble	the ice	time

D Circle the correct words.

- 1 This is a real mystery. We have to *look into* / *stick to* it.
- 2 Don't you realise he's *letting you out* / *taking you in* with his silly stories?
- 3 Can you *make out* / *believe in* that strange house ahead?
- 4 Do you approve *of* / *on* your brother's behaviour?
- 5 Don't worry. I have plenty of confidence *in* / *at* you.
- 6 I've got nothing *on* / *in* common with you.



Grammar

A Complete the sentences with the Present Simple or the Present Continuous of the verbs in brackets.

- 1 I _____ (play) tennis three times a week.
- 2 Mum, why _____ you forever _____ (shout) at me?
- 3 _____ you _____ (believe) in the Loch Ness Monster?
- 4 We _____ (go) on the mystery tour tomorrow.
- 5 The meeting _____ (not be) at 9am today.
- 6 _____ Grandma _____ (come) to visit again on Sunday?
- 7 In this picture, the boy _____ (not cry).
- 8 Light _____ (travel) at almost 300,000km per second.

B Complete the sentences with *a*, *an*, *the* or *-*.

- 1 Is _____ girl next door very pretty?
- 2 There's _____ free table here. Or shall we sit at _____ one over there?
- 3 Is _____ physics _____ only subject you ever found difficult?
- 4 I want to buy _____ umbrella and other things, but I only have _____ hour to shop.
- 5 Nowadays, _____ children mostly do their homework on computers.
- 6 I enjoy learning _____ English, but I don't like _____ German language.
- 7 Is Kelly _____ British citizen or is she from _____ Canada?
- 8 'Is there _____ cinema near here?' 'Yes, _____ Rex Cinema is across the road.'

C Tick (✓) the sentences which are correct and correct the wrong ones.

- 1 I was wearing my red dress only twice last year.

- 2 Mum cooked lunch, put it on the table and went to sleep.

- 3 Helen was talking on the phone while Julie was being in bed.

- 4 I would like the colour red when I was young.

- 5 I can't get used to living in this spooky house.

- 6 Jason is used to wear jeans when he was at university.

D Circle the correct words.

- 1 It **started** / **was starting** raining frogs while I was walking.
- 2 You aren't **used** / **use** to studying in a library.
- 3 Napoleon **died** / **was dying** mysteriously in 1821.
- 4 Detectives **got used to** / **are used to** solving mysteries these days.
- 5 I **didn't use to go** / **wasn't going** fishing last year.
- 6 Would your cousin **visit** / **visiting** you often when you lived in Yorkshire?
- 7 They **would love** / **loved** swimming in the lake when they were young.
- 8 **Did** / **Are** you use to live in a cottage?