ALL TENSES (active voice)

Fill in the gaps, using the correct form of the verb. Mind the tenses!



Every year in winter, Felix Floral and his parents **(1)** ..... **(be)** in good spirits because they simply **(2)** ..... **(love)** winter, the snow and – above all – of course the Christmas holidays. They **(3)** ..... **(not only decorate)** the house with mistletoes, fir branches and cones, they **(4)** ..... **(also put)** hundreds of holiday lights onto the bushes and trees in their garden. For at least five years the Florals **(5)** ..... **(have)** one of the most beautifully decorated winter garden in their hometown. Felix **(6)** ..... **(always help)** his father but today he **(7)** ..... **(spend)** his afternoon in the kitchen with his mum. At the very moment, they **(8)** ..... **(not only roll)** the pastry, **(9)** ..... **(cut)** out biscuits and **(10)** ..... **(put)** them into the oven, but mum **(11)** ..... **(also tell)** Felix his favourite winter story about Bugs, the dog:

"Once upon a time there lived a little brown dog called Bugs. Bugs **(12)** ..... **(belong)** to a little girl and they **(13)** ..... **(be)** best friends since forever. One day the little girl and Bugs **(14)** ..... **(walk)** through the woods to the nearby village to get a Christmas present for the girls' parents, when she **(15)** ..... **(suddenly slip and fall)**. She **(16)** ..... **(try)** to stand up but she **(17)** ..... **(not can)** because she **(18)** ..... **(sprain)** her left ankle. She **(19)** ..... **(not know)** what to do, **(20)** ..... **(feel)** desperate and **(21)** ..... **(start)** to cry because her leg **(22)** ..... **(not only hurt)** but the weather **(23)** ..... **(be)** terribly cold and an icy wind **(24)** ..... **(blow)**. Bugs, being the cleverest dog in the world, **(25)** ..... **(go)** to a nearby tree and **(26)** ..... **(take)** the large branch which **(27)** ..... **(lie)** on the ground into his mouth and **(28)** ..... **(pull)** it to where the little girl **(29)** ..... **(wait)** in the snow. The dog **(30)** ..... **(cover)** the little girl with the branch to keep her from freezing and then it **(31)** ..... **(run)** home to the girl's house to fetch her parents who **(32)** ..... **(pick)** up the little girl and **(33)** ..... **(carry)** her home."

Felix just loves that story! All the afternoon dad **(34)** ..... **(be)** busy outside in the garden and Felix and mum **(35)** ..... **(make)** dozens and dozens of biscuits and there's still some dough left to make some more. So far they **(36)** ..... **(finish)** vanilla crescents and coconut-almond-macaroons. Tomorrow they **(37)** ..... **(work)** on chocolate orange and Linzer biscuits and if there is still some time mom **(38)** ..... **(create)** a special gingerbread house. All in all, Felix **(39)** ..... **(look)** forward to Christmas Eve and he already thinks about how many presents under the tree **(40)** ..... **(be)** for him. He **(41)** ..... **(find)** out soon!

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