

**Test 11.****THE GHOST**

When Mr Hiram B. Otis, the American Minister, (*decide*) \_\_\_\_\_ to buy Chase, everyone (*tell*) \_\_\_\_\_ him that it (*be*) \_\_\_\_\_ a foolish thing to do. There (*be*) \_\_\_\_\_ no doubt that a ghost (*live*) \_\_\_\_\_ in the house. Indeed, Lord Canterville himself (*mention*) \_\_\_\_\_ the fact to Mr Otis when they (*discuss*) \_\_\_\_\_ the sale.

"We (*live, not*) \_\_\_\_\_ in the place ourselves," (*say*) \_\_\_\_\_ Lord Canterville, the day when my grand-aunt (*frighten*) \_\_\_\_\_ by the ghost. It (*happen*) \_\_\_\_\_ many years My grand-aunt (*dress*) \_\_\_\_\_ for dinner when she suddenly (*feel*) \_\_\_\_\_ two skeleton hands being placed on her shoulders. The fright (*make*) \_\_\_\_\_ her ill, and she never really recovered."

"I (*believe, not*) \_\_\_\_\_ in ghost." (*say*) \_\_\_\_\_ Mr Otis.

"I (*must, tell*) \_\_\_\_\_ you, Mr Otis, that the ghost (*see*) \_\_\_\_\_ by several living members of our family, as well as by the local priest."

"My Lord," (*say*) \_\_\_\_\_ Mr Otis, "I (*want, buy*) \_\_\_\_\_ this house. I (*come*) \_\_\_\_\_ from a modern country where everything (*have*) \_\_\_\_\_ its value in money. If there (*be*) \_\_\_\_\_ such a thing as a ghost in Europe, an American (*buy*) \_\_\_\_\_ it."

Lord Canterville (*smile*) \_\_\_\_\_. "There really (*be*) \_\_\_\_\_ a ghost. It (*live*) \_\_\_\_\_ in the house for three centuries, since 1584 in fact. It always (*appear*) \_\_\_\_\_ before the death of any member of our family.

"Well, so does the family doctor, no doubt, Lord Canterville."

A few weeks later Mr Otis and his family (*move*) \_\_\_\_\_ to Canterville Chase.

**Test 12.****THE WINCHESTER MYSTERY**

One night Mrs Joyce (**drive**) \_\_\_\_\_ car from Winchester to Chilcomb with a friend of the family, Mr Ted Pratt.

Suddenly they (**see**) \_\_\_\_\_ an orange light in the sky. The car (**start**) \_\_\_\_\_ to shake and Mrs Bowles (**can, not**) \_\_\_\_\_ control it. Some unknown power (**lift**) \_\_\_\_\_ it, then (**push**) \_\_\_\_\_ to the left, then (**stop**) \_\_\_\_\_ the engine and (**switch off**) \_\_\_\_\_ the lights.

"It was then that we (**see**) \_\_\_\_\_ a cigar-shaped object about five yards long. There (**be**) \_\_\_\_\_ three figures inside," said Mrs Bowles. The three figures (**be**) \_\_\_\_\_ the crew of the UFO. Mrs Bowles said that she (**be, never**) \_\_\_\_\_ so frightened before.

At first, the alien crew (**look**) \_\_\_\_\_ like ordinary people. They (**wear**) \_\_\_\_\_ silver clothes. Then an alien (**come out**) \_\_\_\_\_ of the UFO. He (**be**) \_\_\_\_\_ quite tall and (**seem**) \_\_\_\_\_ to be about forty-five years old. He (**have**) \_\_\_\_\_ long fair hair and a short beard. He (**put**) \_\_\_\_\_ his arm the roof of the car and (**look**) \_\_\_\_\_ at the two frightened people inside. He (**have**) \_\_\_\_\_ clear, white skin and pink eyes.

Mrs Bowles (**be afraid**) \_\_\_\_\_ that the alien (**kill**) \_\_\_\_\_ them, but he only (**look**) \_\_\_\_\_ at the car's instruments. Suddenly the lights (**switch on**) \_\_\_\_\_ and they (**shine**) \_\_\_\_\_ four times brighter than normal. Mrs Bowles (**want, say**) \_\_\_\_\_ "Thank you" but before she (**open**) \_\_\_\_\_ her mouth the UFO and its crew (**disappear, already**) \_\_\_\_\_ into the night.

**Test 13.****MISS EVANS**

One night in April 1912, a new ocean liner was crossing the Atlantic. It **(set out)** \_\_\_\_\_ two days before and **(go)** \_\_\_\_\_ to New York. It **(be)** \_\_\_\_\_ the largest and fastest ship in the world called *Titanic*.

The passengers **(have)** \_\_\_\_\_ a good time when the ship suddenly **(hit)** \_\_\_\_\_ an iceberg.

Everyone **(tell)** \_\_\_\_\_ to come out of their rooms. Unfortunately, there **(be, not)** \_\_\_\_\_ enough lifeboats for all the passengers.

There **(be, not)** \_\_\_\_\_ very much time left. The iceberg **(be)** \_\_\_\_\_ on one side of the ship. It **(look)** \_\_\_\_\_ like a high, white wall.

A woman **(come)** \_\_\_\_\_ to the side of the ship. Her two children **(be)** \_\_\_\_\_ in one of the lifeboats, and she **(be)** \_\_\_\_\_ very much afraid.

"My children **(be)** \_\_\_\_\_ in the lifeboat. I **(must, go)** \_\_\_\_\_ with them!" the woman **(call)** \_\_\_\_\_ to the people in the lifeboat.

"There's no more room," someone **(call out)** \_\_\_\_\_. "If we **(take)** \_\_\_\_\_ one more, the lifeboat **(sink)** \_\_\_\_\_ .

There **(be)** \_\_\_\_\_ a young woman in the lifeboat called Miss Evans. When she **(hear)** \_\_\_\_\_ the woman calling, she **(stand up)** \_\_\_\_\_ in the lifeboat and **(touch)** \_\_\_\_\_ one of the men on the arm.

"Let me **(get back)** \_\_\_\_\_ to the ship," she said. "This woman **(must, be)** \_\_\_\_\_ with her children."

"The ship **(sink)** \_\_\_\_\_. Very soon it **(go down)** \_\_\_\_\_ under the water," said the man.

"I **(know)** \_\_\_\_\_ it," said Miss Evans.

People **(help)** \_\_\_\_\_ her to get back on the ship. Very soon after that there **(be)** \_\_\_\_\_ great noise, and the *Titanic* **(go down)** \_\_\_\_\_ under the water.

**Test 14.****AN INTERVIEW FOR A JOB**

On Wednesday I had an important interview for a job. I (**get up**) \_\_\_\_\_ at 7 o'clock in the morning and (**shave**) \_\_\_\_\_ carefully. I (**put on**) \_\_\_\_\_ my best jacket and trousers. I (**must, travel**) \_\_\_\_\_ by train, so I (**walk**) \_\_\_\_\_ to the station.

On my way I (**see**) \_\_\_\_\_ a man who (**paint**) \_\_\_\_\_ his fence with red paint. The man (**notice, not**) \_\_\_\_\_ me: he (**look**) \_\_\_\_\_ at the fence. Then he (**turn**) \_\_\_\_\_ suddenly and (**splash**) \_\_\_\_\_ my beautiful trousers! The man (**apologise**) \_\_\_\_\_ to me, but the damage (**already, do**) \_\_\_\_\_.

"If I (**go**) \_\_\_\_\_ home, I (**be late**) \_\_\_\_\_ for the interview," I (**think**) \_\_\_\_\_. There (**be**) \_\_\_\_\_ a department store not far from the so far from the station so I (**decide**) \_\_\_\_\_ to buy a new pair.

I (**find**) \_\_\_\_\_ a nice pair of trousers and since I (**be**) \_\_\_\_\_ in a hurry, I (**decide**) \_\_\_\_\_ to change on the train. The shop (**be**) \_\_\_\_\_ so I (**pay**) \_\_\_\_\_ hurriedly for my trousers, (**take**) \_\_\_\_\_ my shopping bag and (**leave**) \_\_\_\_\_.

I (**arrive**) \_\_\_\_\_ at the station just in time to catch the train. Now I (**be sure**) \_\_\_\_\_ that I (**be late, not**) \_\_\_\_\_ for the interview. I (**smile**) \_\_\_\_\_ happily at an elderly lady who (**stare**) \_\_\_\_\_ at my trousers and (**go**) \_\_\_\_\_ to the toilet to change. I (**throw**) \_\_\_\_\_ my stained trousers out of the window. Then I (**open**) \_\_\_\_\_ the bag to get my new ones, but all I (**find**) \_\_\_\_\_ ink woolen sweater!

**Test 15.****GOOD LUCK, CARL!**

Carl lives in Glasgow. He (**ought, be**) \_\_\_\_\_ in *The Guinness Book of Records* because he (**have**) \_\_\_\_\_ a terrible time this year.

The trouble (**start**) \_\_\_\_\_ one fine morning at the beginning of January when Carl (**find**) \_\_\_\_\_ that his car (**disappear**) \_\_\_\_\_ from his garage. He (**see, not**) \_\_\_\_\_ - it since that In February he (**buy**) \_\_\_\_\_ a new car, but he (**have, not**) \_\_\_\_\_ it for more than two weeks when he (**crash**) \_\_\_\_\_ into a lamp-post.

Three days ago Carl (**sit**) \_\_\_\_\_ on a seat that (**paint**) \_\_\_\_\_ only a few minutes before. He (**wear**) \_\_\_\_\_ a brand-new suit that he (**buy**) \_\_\_\_\_ only the previous week.

In the summer Carl (**spend**) \_\_\_\_\_ his holiday at the seaside. When he (**arrive**) \_\_\_\_\_ home, he (**discover**) \_\_\_\_\_ that his house (**break into**) \_\_\_\_\_. His television and video-recorder (**disappear**) \_\_\_\_\_.

Now poor Carl (**know, not**) \_\_\_\_\_ what he (**do**) \_\_\_\_\_ to deserve this bad luck. He just (**hope**) \_\_\_\_\_ that his luck (**change**) \_\_\_\_\_ soon.