

1 Complete the sentences with the correct past form of the verb in parentheses.

- 1 It was the most beautiful beach he 'd ever seen and the perfect place to spend their honeymoon. (see)
- 2 As soon as she closed the door, she _____ she _____ her house keys on the table. (remember / leave)
- 3 While we _____ for the taxi to arrive, we _____ that all the windows were closed. (wait / check)
- 4 By the time they _____ to the station, the train _____. (get / go)
- 5 As she _____ over the bridge, the car in front swerved and nearly _____ into the river. (drive / fall)
- 6 While I _____ the joke, I suddenly realized I _____ the ending! (tell / forget)

2 Complete the types of movie stories in the sentences.

- 1 Liz enjoys romantic comedies because she thinks they are fun to watch and she likes movies about people falling in love.
- 2 I love watching p_____ d_____. I'm very interested in history, and I love old-fashioned costumes.
- 3 Did you see the b_____ on Gandhi's life? It was really interesting. I had no idea he had studied in London.
- 4 Lee says his favorite movies are p_____ t_____ because they focus on the mental and emotional states of the characters, so you never know what is going to happen.
- 5 Tim never watches d_____ movies because he thinks there are already too many stories of terrible things that have happened, like earthquakes and plane crashes, on the news.
- 6 Pru often watches m_____. She likes to try and solve the murders before the detectives do.

3 Complete the text with the correct prepositions.

I was in France ¹ on business last year when I met an old school friend, Pierre, ² _____ chance. It was great to see him, but I was ³ _____ a bit of a hurry, so we swapped numbers and arranged to meet up the next day. The meeting I was going to was ⁴ _____ the afternoon, but I was running late, so I called a taxi. While I was waiting, I spotted a Dutch colleague, Suus. She was also staying at the hotel ⁵ _____ her own and was going to the same meeting. She kindly offered me a lift, and we both arrived ⁶ _____ time. During the trip, we had a great chat, and, ⁷ _____ the end, we arranged to have dinner together.

4 Complete the sentences using one word from box A and one from box B.

A

demonstration earthquake floods
fugitive hostages pay

B

armed destroyed ~~hit~~ released
strike violent

- 1 The big earthquake that hit California lasted five seconds.
- 2 Thousands of homes were _____ by _____ after days of heavy rain.
- 3 Police are telling people to be cautious because an _____ _____ is on the run.
- 4 The anti-war _____ turned _____ when it reached the city center.
- 5 Ten _____ have now been _____ from the plane by the terrorists.
- 6 10,000 workers have gone on _____ over their _____.

5 Complete the sentences with the correct form of say or tell.

- 1 When you say hello, you should smile.
- 2 If Dad starts _____ us the same joke he told us last week, please stop him.
- 3 The best time to _____ a scary story is at night, sitting around a campfire with friends.
- 4 When he _____ sorry, I knew he meant it.
- 5 Please just _____ what you mean! I don't understand what is going on.

6 Put the sentences of the story (a–k) into the correct order.

- a) The people in my car on the train were really friendly, so I started talking with them.
- b) I had quite an adventure when I was traveling in Italy for work last summer.
- c) He also called the school I was visiting and spoke to the principal to explain what had happened.
- d) Before long, I found out that the train didn't stop at the place I was going.
- e) Anyway, I had no idea that there was a delay with the previous train that was due at the same platform.
- f) She introduced herself with a big smile, and we laughed about my little adventure before getting into her car.
- g) When I finally arrived at my destination, the principal was already waiting for me at the station.
- h) Fortunately, another passenger told me where to get off and what train to catch from there.
- i) So, when a train arrived at my platform a minute early, I thought it was the one I wanted and I got on it.
- j) I was in a new town, so I check the train schedule and waited at the platform I needed.

k) Well, you can imagine that was quite worrying.

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| 1 <u>b</u> | 5 _____ | 9 _____ |
| 2 _____ | 6 _____ | 10 _____ |
| 3 _____ | 7 _____ | 11 _____ |
| 4 _____ | 8 _____ | |

7 Put the words in the correct order to make sentences.

1 missed / the / because / date / got / I / the / I / party / wrong.

I missed the party because I got the date wrong.

2 concert / 7:30 / started / left / we / at / because / thought / home / at / we / the / 8.

3 answered / didn't / me / door / he / when / the / Cesar / recognize / at first.

4 realize / prepare / was / meeting / because / I / I / didn't / didn't / presentation / the / the / today.

5 told / wrong / were / same / after / two / with / I / was / the / calling / the / number / there / that / hotels / name.

6 to / had / see / who / at / party / but / was / it / different / I / old / my / expected / Dan / the / schoolfriend / a / Dan / came.

8 Complete the conversation with the correct answer, a), b) or c).

A: Hello, I'm just calling to ask what time check-in is. I have a reservation for today in the name of James Chang.

B: I'm sorry sir, but we don't have a reservation in that name, and I'm afraid we're full for the next week.

A: Sorry, can you ¹ b that again?

B: I said I'm afraid we don't have a reservation for you, and we're full.

A: Do you mean ² _____ that the double room I reserved for the week isn't available? I don't
³ _____ what you're saying.

B: I'm sorry sir, but we have no record of your reservation. Are you sure you're at this hotel?

A: Did you ⁴ _____ me if I'd called the wrong hotel? I ⁵ _____ reserved a room for today, August 16th. Do you really think I don't know which hotel I reserved a room at?

B: I'm sorry sir, what I ⁶ _____ was that sometimes people make this mistake.

A: So, you're ⁷ _____ that, although I have a reservation number for a double room from August 16th to 23rd at the Hotel Sheraldon, I don't actually have a room.

B: Sorry sir, I didn't ⁸ _____ what you said at the end. It's a very bad line. Could you
⁹ _____ the last part please?

A: I said I reserved a room at the Hotel Sheraldon from August 16th to 23rd.

B: Ah, so you reserved at the Sheraldon!

A: What exactly do you ¹⁰ _____ ?

B: Well, we're the Charlton Hotel, not the Sheraldon. In other words, your reservation is with a different hotel!

A: You've ¹¹ _____ me! Do I have a room or not?

B: Well, yes, sir, you do. Let me give you the number for the Hotel Sheralton ...

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| 2 a) say | b) saying | c) to say |
| 3 a) mean | b) get | c) take |
| 4 a) ask | b) tell | c) check |
| 5 a) generally | b) definitely c) | |
| finally | | |
| 6 a) meant | b) understood | c) spoke |
| 7 a) telling | b) talking | c) saying |
| 8 a) listen | b) take | c) catch |
| 9 a) repeat | b) say | c) speak |
| 10 a) need | b) mean | c) say |
| 11 a) missed | b) lost | c) caught |

- 1 a) speak b) say c) tell