

Put the verb in brackets into the correct form!

Moving house

I come from a very large family and recently my parents _____ (DECIDE) that they _____ (SPEND) long enough living in an overcrowded house in Birmingham. "We _____ (MOVE) to the country", my father _____ (ANNOUNCE) one evening. "I _____ (SELL) this house and we _____ (LIVE) on a farm".

So last week we _____ (LOAD) all our belongings into two hired vans, and for the last few days we _____ (TRY) to organise ourselves in our new home. Yesterday, for example, my two brothers and I _____ (START) painting the upstairs rooms. Unfortunately, while I _____ (MIX) the paint, one of my brothers _____ (OPEN) the door. Nobody _____ (TELL) him that we _____ (BE) in the room. So instead of painting the walls we _____ (SPEND) all morning cleaning paint off the floor.

But worse things _____ (HAPPEN) since then. This morning, when I _____ (WAKE) up, water _____ (DRIP) through the ceiling next to my bed. We _____ (SPENT) the last five hours repairing the roof. It is not all bad news though. The school in the village nearby _____ (CLOSE) down two years ago, and my parents _____ (NOT FIND) another school for us yet.