

John Escott: Young detective (part 1)

It was a cold night in winter and it was snowing. David Cray

1. _____ home.

He lived with 2. _____ mother. His father was

3. _____.

There was a large factory near David's home, and he walked

4. _____ the high factory fence. The factory made computers.

David's house was in the next road. There was a car

5. _____ it.

Mum has a visitor, David 6. _____. Perhaps it's a new lodger.

David went to the back door of his house. He pushed open the door and went inside. David heard his mother 7. _____.

"We 8. _____ a lodger for three years," she was saying. "But he went to live with his sister. It's nice to have

9. _____ lodger. When can you come?

David saw 10. _____ in the kitchen. They sat at the kitchen table, drinking tea. The 11. _____ woman was about thirty years old. Her hair was long and black. She was wearing glasses.

"I can come tomorrow, 12. _____ Cray," she said to David's mother.

David went to 13. _____ kitchen.

His mother saw him. "Ah, David," she said.

"14. _____ is Miss Fox. She is our new lodger."

"Hallo," said David.

Miss Fox stood 15. _____. See you tomorrow morning, Mrs Cray," she said.