

6A News events

Use four more events from the box to complete the headlines for the news stories.

Epidemic	Hijacking	Natural Disasters	Recession
Famine	Kidnapping	Political Crisis	Robbery

1. Natural Disasters **Affect Economy**
Last month's earthquake and storms caused significant damage to roads, bridges, and homes. The cost of repairs is putting a huge strain on the national economy.
2. _____ **of a Plane in Miami**
Two men got on a plane at Miami National airport, threatened the pilots, and ordered them to fly to an unknown destination.
3. **Economy Falls into** _____
Economists report that the unemployment rate has risen and consumer spending is slowing because people are saving money instead of purchasing goods.
4. _____ **Averted**
The mayor is now under investigation and agreed to step down to avoid a government scandal. A special election will be held next month to fill his position.
5. **Experts Offer Tips to Prevent** _____
Each year, thousands of people go missing. To prevent being taken against your will, security experts suggest that you change the routes you drive or walk every day and let your family or close friends know where you are going.

6B Storytelling expressions

Use phrases from each box to complete the story.

And in the end,	The next thing we knew,
I'll never forget the time	The thing you have to know is

(1) I'll never forget the time it snowed in July. I was on vacation in the mountains with some friends, staying in a resort hotel. We went hiking and swimming every day. The weather was perfect – sunny and warm. One day, the temperature suddenly dropped, and the wind picked up. (2) _____ it was snowing big, fat flakes. It snowed for hours! (3) _____ that we were absolutely not ready for snow! We were wearing T-shirts, cotton pants, and sandals. Who knew we'd need snow boots in July?

It all started when	So finally,
I forgot to mention that	That reminds me of the time when

During the storm, we stayed inside, ordered sandwiches, and played board games. Oh, (4) _____ we lost electricity for a few hours, and we couldn't watch TV or play video games. (5) _____ the snow stopped, and the sun came out again. We borrowed some skis and boots from the hotel and went skiing on a summer day!

