

Telling a story in the past using irregular verbs : Drag-drop the verbs into the right blanks

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**What a strange day !**

Last weekend, I \_\_\_\_\_ in bed sleeping when suddenly I \_\_\_\_\_ a strange feeling. It \_\_\_\_\_ me up! I \_\_\_\_\_ in bed for a while then I \_\_\_\_\_ up, \_\_\_\_\_ to the kitchen and \_\_\_\_\_ myself a cup of coffee. I \_\_\_\_\_ marmalade on a piece of toast, \_\_\_\_\_ a large glass of fruit juice and \_\_\_\_\_ some cereals. I then \_\_\_\_\_ the cat, and \_\_\_\_\_ the dog a bone. I \_\_\_\_\_ a shower and \_\_\_\_\_ all the things I had to do before going out. I \_\_\_\_\_ the windows, locked the door behind me and \_\_\_\_\_ the house.

ate - did - drank - fed - gave - got - had - lay - left - made - shut - spread - took - was - went - woke

As I \_\_\_\_\_ the house, I \_\_\_\_\_ a letter on my doorstep. When I \_\_\_\_\_ my address was \_\_\_\_\_ in green letters, I \_\_\_\_\_ it was from my friend John, the 'ecologist'. When we \_\_\_\_\_ at school, he always \_\_\_\_\_ trees on the back of envelopes and \_\_\_\_\_ nothing but green clothes! I \_\_\_\_\_ the first lines and \_\_\_\_\_ it was a nice surprise. I \_\_\_\_\_ a bit jealous and \_\_\_\_\_ to myself he was really lucky. He had \_\_\_\_\_ me this mail to \_\_\_\_\_ me know he was in New York. A cousin of his had \_\_\_\_\_ him a flat near Central Park - funnily enough, my parents \_\_\_\_\_ up in New York, not far from where they \_\_\_\_\_ the Empire State Building. He \_\_\_\_\_ me that a problem had \_\_\_\_\_ on his first day there: somebody had \_\_\_\_\_ his suitcase at the airport so he had no choice but to buy new clothes.

arisen - were - built - drew - felt - found - grew - knew - lent - left - let - read - said - saw - sent - stolen - thought - told - wore - written

As the rain \_\_\_\_\_ to fall, I \_\_\_\_\_ to take the bus to go to Trafalgar Square. I \_\_\_\_\_ the letter in my pocket and \_\_\_\_\_ to the nearest bus-stop. A bus soon \_\_\_\_\_ by, I \_\_\_\_\_ for the bus-fare which \_\_\_\_\_ me £1.50. As I \_\_\_\_\_ at the back, an old lady \_\_\_\_\_ to me: she \_\_\_\_\_ me a strange story about her family and \_\_\_\_\_ me pictures of her grandchildren. I \_\_\_\_\_ that they \_\_\_\_\_ living in the USA now, in New York, near Central Park. She was sad because they rarely \_\_\_\_\_ to her. Living so far apart \_\_\_\_\_ they rarely \_\_\_\_\_ except for very special occasions when they \_\_\_\_\_ across the Atlantic. She \_\_\_\_\_ talking and talking. She didn't know how to \_\_\_\_\_ a long story short! Seeing Nelson's Column in the distance, I \_\_\_\_\_ up, \_\_\_\_\_ hands with the old lady and said goodbye. As the bus \_\_\_\_\_ on, I was still feeling sorry for her.

began - came - chose - cost - cut - drove - flew - kept - meant - met - paid - put - ran - sat - shook - showed - spoke - stood - told - understood - were - wrote