

A Story- The day everything went wrong

There are days in one's life when everything can go wrong. He can get into trouble at every move. I had one such day last week.

It was Friday when I _____ (wake) up at 7 a.m. The sun _____ (be) already bright. I _____ (have) to be at the bus-stop at the latest 7.15 to reach school by 7.30 a.m. I _____ (rush) to the bathroom for a quick wash and _____ (turn) on the tap. There was no water, it _____ (be) dry! However, I _____ (manage) with a pail of water, which my mother had left there the previous night. I quickly _____ (dress) myself up and _____ (slip) out of my house without mother's knowledge. I _____ (know) my mother would be angry for what I had done that day.

I _____ (reach) the bus-stop within five minutes. Alas! the bus had gone a few seconds before. I _____ (conclude) as there were no students at the bus-stop. I had no choice but to call a passing taxi. I _____ (be) lucky to get one and _____ (jump) into it. I _____ (cheer) up thinking that I would reach school on time. When I _____ (put) my hand in my pocket to pay for the taxi fare, I was horrified to find the pocket empty. I had no money! "What shall I do?" As the taxi _____ (stop) at the gate of my school, I _____ (meet) my form teacher. I _____ (explain) to him my situation and he was kind enough to help me pay the fare. I was much relieved and _____ (run) to the class. I _____ (regain) my spirit when I found that I had reached school before the bell.

Then I _____ (notice) something peculiar. I was the only student around. "Am I late after all?" I quickened my steps, suddenly I _____ (hear) a shout "What are you doing here?" I turned back and _____ (see) my principal standing in front of me. "Why are you late for school?" When I _____ (look) at my watch it _____ (show) 7.30 a.m. "I am not, Sir," It is just 7.30 now. I _____ (realise) then my watch was running ten minutes late. "Your watch doesn't show the correct time, boy; you better hurry to your class now," I _____ (blush) at the thought of my blunders and cursed my luck. My teacher _____ (reprimand) me for being late for lesson.