

2D It happened to me

1 Read the blog post quickly. Which word is missing from the title: *surprising*, *frustrating*, or *terrifying*?

A _____ evening

Yesterday it was my friend Sarah's 21st birthday. My friends and I had planned a surprise party for her at The Firehouse, a ¹small and cozy restaurant that she loves. Sarah's sister was going to bring her to the restaurant at 9 p.m., so we all needed to be there to surprise her when she arrived.

Just before I left my house, I got a text message, but the battery on my phone ran out before I could read it. I didn't have time to charge my phone, so I got in the car and left. ²It was a horrible, rainy evening, but there wasn't much traffic, and everything was going fine until my car stopped suddenly. I'd run out of gas! ³I was so angry with myself – ⁴why hadn't I gotten some the night before?

I thought my best option would be to find a cab. After waiting for ten minutes, I finally found one. ⁵I felt so relieved – I could still get to the restaurant in time. However, on the way, I realized that I'd left my wallet in my car and didn't have any money to pay! I explained this to the driver, ⁶a rude and impatient man. He stopped the car and told me to get out.

⁷What a disaster! It was now almost 9 p.m., so I had to run. When I finally got to the restaurant, I was surprised to see that it was completely empty. I waited for an hour, but nobody came. So I walked back to the car, got my wallet, and took a bus home. As soon as I got home, I started charging my phone in the kitchen, but before I could call anyone, I got a message. It said, "Sarah sick, party canceled!" I didn't know whether to laugh or cry.

