

Complete the news stories with the correct forms of the verbs. Then compare with a partner.

- 1 The *Austin Sun Times* _____ *has closed* _____ (close) its doors – for now. The newspaper _____ (print) its last newspaper last Sunday, but it _____ (open) again next month as an Internet-only paper. Staff members _____ (learn) about digital publishing now, so they _____ (be) ready next month. Sadly, the *Austin Gazette* _____ (be) now the city's only "paper" newspaper.
- 2 Pink _____ (be) a playful color, and it _____ (make) people smile. But last night William Maddox _____ (not / smile) when he _____ (stop) a fight in his store. "Two people _____ (argue) for about five minutes over the last pink T-shirt in my store. I _____ (ask) them to leave and then _____ (close) the store for the day," said Maddox.
- 3 Fifteen-year-old Kate Moore _____ (be) the country's newest coding champion. Last Tuesday, she _____ (compete) against 20 other contestants and _____ (win) \$50,000 for her fast and accurate coding. Kate _____ (get) everything right. "No one _____ (know) how to solve one of the Math problems, except me! Winning _____ (mean) a lot to me. My parents _____ (watch)."