

Put the verbs in brackets into the simple past



Anne Harrison _____ (drive) to Kingsfield to work for the famous writer, Kitty Blakemore.

At the Private Nursing Agency, they _____ (tell) Anne that Mrs Blakemore _____ (be) a hypochondriac.

When Anne _____ (get) to The Grange, Charlotte _____ (appear). She _____ (be) young and _____ (wear) an apron. She _____ (guide) Anne to her room.

Complete the story using these verbs in the past

be (x3) , learn, look, meet (x2), tell

Anne also _____ Stella Vixon, the housekeeper. Charlotte _____ Anne that Mrs Blakemore _____ terrible and not really ill. Anne _____ that Mr Blakemore was in Wales. He _____ a famous music writer.

When Anne _____ Mrs Blakemore, she was surprised because Kitty _____ really ill. In the room there _____ bottles of medicine, books, letters and half-eaten chocolates.

Choose the correct possibility



Mrs Blakemore _____ that someone was trying to poison her. When the Doctor _____, she said that she _____ a nasty taste in her mouth. The doctor _____ her an injection and left.

At lunchtime she met Bernard, the cook. He _____ Mrs Blakemore. He said she _____ very nice. She was rude and selfish.

After lunch, Anne visited her patient and _____ to buy her some vitamin tonic. She went to the village and passed the church. She remembered that the vicar was Mrs Blakemore's _____. Anne went inside the church and _____ that the church needed repairs. John, the vicar, _____ any money to repair the roof.

Mrs Blakemore complained that she had a terrible _____ in her mouth so she kept brushing her _____ with special _____. The following day, Stella Vixon found her dead. The police came and everybody was a _____. So they questioned everybody:

Unscramble the questions

INSPECTOR: you / did / What / cook / night / last ?

BERNARD: I cooked scrambled eggs



INSPECTOR: milk / you / What / do / bottle / did / of / the / with?

BERNARD: I threw it away.

INSPECTOR: hate / did / Why / you / so / Kitty / much?

BERNARD: Because she was mean.

INSPECTOR: you / poison / Did / food / her ?



BERNARD: No, I didn't. I'm not a murderer.

INSPECTOR: _____ Mrs Blakemore when you went into her bedroom? STELLA

VIXON: She was on her bed. I thought she was asleep.

INSPECTOR: What Time _____ realize she was dead?

STELLA: At 8.30 a.m. It was time for her medicine but I couldn't wake her up.

INSPECTOR: _____ do when you discovered she was dead?

STELLA: I ran to the nurse's bedroom and asked her for help.

INSPECTOR: _____ any reason for killing her?

STELLA: No, I didn't have any reason! She was a difficult person, but I liked her

