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The Graveyard

"Ghosts!" said Huck, "I can see ghosts! They're coming here. I'm really scared!"

"Can ghosts see us?" asked Tom.

"Ghosts can see everything," answered Huck, "Oh, why did I come here?"

"Don't be afraid. We must be very quiet," said Tom.

The three ghosts moved quietly in the graveyard. They came close to Tom and Huck.

"Tom!" whispered Huck, "They're not ghosts. They're humans. One of them is Muff Potter."

"You're right. And there's Injun Joe and Dr Robinson. But why are they here?" said Tom.

"They're grave robbers. They want to rob a grave. The doctor wants a dead body," said Huck.

"But why?" asked Tom.

"He cuts bodies and studies them. My father told me about Dr Robinson," said Huck.

The three men were at Hoss Williams's grave. Injun Joe and Muff Potter started digging. Soon the grave was open. They found the dead body and pulled it out of the ground.

"Well, doctor, do you want us to take the body to your house?" said Muff, "You must give us five dollars."

"What!" said Dr Robinson angrily, "I paid you this morning. I'm not giving you more money!"

"I want more money, Doctor," said Injun Joe, "Five years ago I came to your father's house. I asked you for something to eat. You gave me nothing. I still remember that. Now you must give me more money."

Injun Joe took the doctor's arm and the doctor hit him. Injun Joe fell to the ground.

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"Don't hit my friend!" cried Muff Potter. Muff and Dr Robinson started fighting.

Everything happened very quickly. Dr Robinson hit Muff Potter on the head. Muff fell to the ground. Injun Joe took Muff's knife. He saw Muff on the ground and he killed Dr Robinson with the knife. The doctor fell on top of Muff and covered him with blood.

Injun Joe looked at the two men on the ground. First he robbed the dead doctor. Then he put the bloody knife into Muff's right hand.

A few minutes passed and Muff moved a little and opened his eyes. He pushed the doctor's body away. He looked at the knife in his hand.

"What - what happened, Joe?" he asked slowly.

Injun Joe said, "Something very bad, Muff. Why did you kill him?"

"I didn't kill him!" said Muff. He was very confused, "I drank too much whisky last night. I don't remember anything! Tell me, Joe. What happened?"

"You fought with the doctor. He hit you on the head and you fell to the ground. Then you got up, took your knife and killed him," said Injun Joe.

"I don't understand, Joe. I never fight with a knife. I didn't want to kill Dr Robinson. He was young and he had a future. Oh, this is terrible! It was the whisky," cried Muff, "Joe, don't tell anyone, please."

"I won't tell anyone, Muff. But now you must leave this graveyard quickly. Go!" said Injun Joe.

"Thank you, Joe," said Muff, "You're a friend."

Muff Potter ran away and Injun Joe watched him. Then he carefully put Muff's knife near the doctor's body and left the graveyard.

Tom and Huck were terrified. It was a terrible scene. They silently moved away from the trees. Then they ran out of the graveyard and back to the village. They arrived at an old house and decided to hide there.

"What are we going to do?" asked Tom, "We saw everything. Injun Joe killed the doctor."

"What can we do? We can't tell anyone," said Huck, "Injun Joe is dangerous. I'm afraid of him. Do you want a knife in your heart?"

"I'm afraid of Injun Joe, too," said Tom, "You're right, we can't tell anyone about Injun Joe."

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"Promise not to tell anyone!" said Huck.

"I promise," said Tom.

Write the missing words.

- Huck thought he could see _____
- _____ men were moving quietly through the graveyard.
- Huck thinks the doctor wants a dead _____
- He thinks the men are grave _____
- Muff wants the doctor to give him five _____
- The doctor _____ Injun Joe.
- The doctor and Muff started _____
- Muff fell to the _____
- Injun Joe _____ the doctor with Muff's knife.
- After robbing the doctor, Injun Joe puts the _____ in Muff's hands.
- When Muff wakes up and Injun Joe says he killed the _____.
- Huck and Tom are afraid of Injun Joe, they say he is _____.
- They think they can not tell _____ about Injun Joe.

Write <u>the past tense</u> of the following verbs. You will find them in the text.

I **ask** a question **now**.	Yesterday, **I asked** a questions (past tense)
To ask	**Asked**
To answer	_____
To happen	_____
To rob	_____
To look	_____
To say	_____

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To fall _____

To put _____

To start _____

To find _____

To pass _____

To move _____

To pay _____

To hit _____

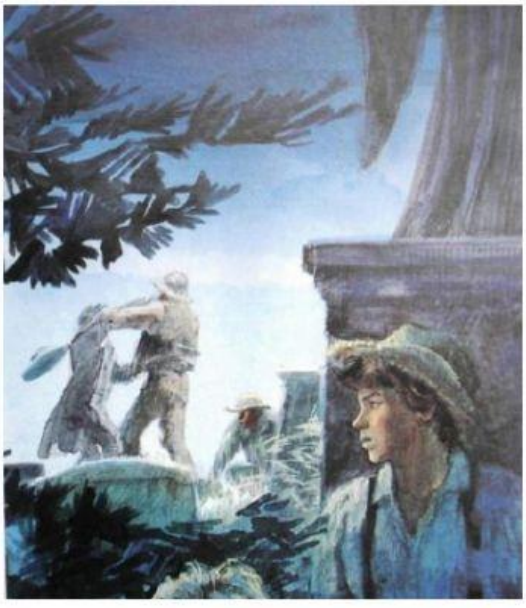
Select six irregular verbs below.

Ask	Answer	Happen	Rob	Look	Say	Fall
Put	Start	Find	Pass	Move	Pay	Hit

Why are they irregular? What are regular verbs? What are irregular verbs?

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What do you predict will happen in the next? Do you think Injun Joe will find out that they saw the murder?

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