READING TO WRITE

1 Complete the sentences with the correct phrases.

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1. The thief had to be very quiet _____ not set off the alarms.
2. The thief lied _____ the detective wouldn't think he stole the jewelry.
3. "_____ did I know the thief was lying, _____ guessed where he hid the jewels," said the detective.

2 Complete the text with the phrases from Exercise 1.

MY SECRET

by Harry Sykes



I have a younger brother named Carl. When he was five and I was nine, we used to share the same bedroom. His bedtime was before mine. He would still sleep with his favorite teddy bear in those days. And every night, when I came to bed, I would place his other stuffed animals on his bed. [1]_____ would I put them in there, [2]_____ dress them up in his clothing. I had to be very quiet [3]_____ not wake him up.

Every morning, he'd wake up to find his stuffed animals wearing his clothing. He thought they got dressed during the night! Then I'd act surprised [4]_____ he wouldn't suspect I did it. Finally, at breakfast, he'd tell my mother what clothes the toys were wearing. She thought he was making it all up! To this day, I've never admitted what I'd done.

3 Read the text again. Answer the questions.

1. What is the story about?

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2. What is the background information?

   Who: _____

   Where: _____

   When: _____

3. What is the order of events?

   First: _____

   Next: _____

   Then: _____

   Last: _____

4. How does the story conclude?

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