

One dark October evening

1 GRAMMAR time sequencers and connectors

a Circle the correct words or phrases.



¹ **The summer / One summer**, I decided to travel to Peru. I flew to Lima, and then traveled to a town near Machu Picchu to spend the night. ² **The next day / Afterday**, I climbed the mountain to visit the monument. I was tired ³ **when / then** I reached the top. ⁴ **Sudden / Suddenly**, I saw a man who was in my English class back home. ⁵ **Two minutes later / Two minutes after**, he came over to speak to me, and he was just as surprised as I was. ⁶ **After that / When**, we decided to travel together. We had a great summer, and we continued seeing each other back home. In fact, we got married two years later, and we now have a beautiful daughter named Hannah.

b Look at each group of sentences. Complete each sentence with *so*, *because*, *but*, or *although*.

- 1 a Linda ran to the train station because she was very late.
b Linda was very late, _____ she ran to the train station.
c _____ Linda ran to the train station, she was too late and she missed the train.
- 2 a _____ we couldn't go out, we had a really good afternoon at home.
b It was raining _____ we stayed at home.
c We stayed at home last Sunday _____ it was raining.
- 3 a The tickets were really expensive, _____ they managed to sell them all in an hour.
b _____ the tickets were really expensive, they sold them all in an hour.
c They sold the tickets quickly _____ the concert was very popular.

c Rewrite the sentences using the words in parentheses.

- 1 I didn't have any breakfast because I didn't have time. (**so**)
I didn't have time, so I didn't have any breakfast.
- 2 I had a great vacation in Egypt although I can't speak Arabic. (**but**)
I can't speak Arabic, _____.
- 3 I don't really like Ryan, but I went to lunch with him. (**although**)
I went to lunch with Ryan _____.
- 4 I called the police because the door to my apartment was open. (**so**)
The door to my apartment was open, _____.
- 5 Jim has a lot of money, but he's really cheap. (**although**)
Jim's really cheap, _____.
- 6 Mary couldn't find her bag, so she canceled her credit cards. (**because**)
Mary canceled her credit cards _____.

2 VOCABULARY verb phrases

a Match the phrases.

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| 1 Jake and Beth met | ☒ d | a her to dinner. |
| 2 He played | ☐ | b for her at the door. |
| 3 She left | ☐ | c a wonderful evening. |
| 4 He waited | ☐ | d <u>in a cafe</u> . |
| 5 She gave | ☐ | e to a new restaurant. |
| 6 He invited | ☐ | f the cafe very late. |
| 7 He took her | ☐ | g her favorite song. |
| 8 They had | ☐ | h him her phone number. |

b Cover the right-hand column. Try to remember the sentences.

3 PRONUNCIATION word stress

a Write the words in the chart.

a|cross after a|gain al|though aw|ful be|cause
birth|day eve|ning in|vite per|fect res|taur|ant se|cond

1 First syllable stressed	2 Second syllable stressed
after	across

b **iChecker** Listen and check. Then listen again and repeat the words.

4 READING

a Read the story. Number the paragraphs in the right order.



A lucky escape

☐ Ten minutes later, it began to rain. Soon, Liz found it hard to see out of the front **windshield**. There was a lot of water on the road, so she drove more slowly. Although Liz was an experienced driver, she felt afraid.

☐ An hour later, firefighters cut Liz out of the car. She went to the hospital, but the doctors sent her home because she didn't have any serious injuries. Her head was fine and she only had a few cuts and **bruises**. Her son went to collect the groceries from the car and gave the loaf of bread to his mother. Now, she is going to keep it as a souvenir.

☒ One day last November, Liz Douglas decided to go grocery shopping. She drove to the supermarket and spent the morning doing her **weekly shopping**. She paid for her **groceries**, went back to the parking lot, and put the shopping bags on the back seat of the car. Then she started to drive home.

☐ However, Liz was lucky. When she braked, a **loaf of bread** flew out of one of the shopping bags. The car turned over, and the loaf of bread landed between Liz's head and the roof of the car. It stopped her head from hitting the car roof.

☐ Suddenly, she lost control of the car. She saw a **telephone pole** in front of her and braked. She closed her eyes and hoped that the airbags in the car would inflate. Unfortunately, they didn't.

b Look at the **highlighted** words. What do you think they mean? Check with your dictionary.

5 LISTENING

iChecker Listen to a radio program about people who had lucky escapes. Mark the sentences T (true) or F (false).



- Maureen Evason was on vacation when the accident happened. T
- She was in the hospital for four months. —
- Joseph Rabadue was sitting on the floor when the accident happened. —
- The truck hit the TV. —
- Barry McRoy was drinking coffee when the fight happened. —
- The DVD was in his jacket pocket. —

USEFUL WORDS AND PHRASES

Learn these words and phrases.

anniversary /ænəˈvɜːsəri/

brake /breɪk/

perfect /ˈpɜːfɪkt/

as usual /əz ˈyʊʒuəl/

cross the street /krɒs ðə stri:t/

Bridge Street /ˈbrɪdʒ stri:t/

happy ending /ˈhæpi ˈendɪŋ/

just in time /dʒʌst ɪn ˈtaɪm/

madly in love /ˈmædli ɪn lʌv/

until the last minute /ənˈtɪl ðə læst ˈmɪnət/