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HELP FROM A STRANGER

1 VOCABULARY: Needing and giving help

A Complete each phrase with a word in the box. Write X if the phrase does not need another word. Then use the phrases to write sentences that are true for you.

be be break for give lost of out

1 give a ride

I gave my friends a ride to the concert.

2 in trouble

3 down

4 figure

5 _____ grateful

6 get _____

7 show _____

8 take care

9 feel sorry _____

GRAMMAR: Past continuous and simple past

A For each sentence, underline the events that were in progress and circle the interrupting actions. Then complete two more sentences so they are true for you.

- 1 We were getting on the train when I dropped my phone.
- 2 Last night, I heard a noise while I was brushing my teeth.
- 3 While I was cooking dinner, the phone rang three times.
- 4 Jack was helping me with my homework when you came over.
- 5 When I saw you, you were getting on a bus.
- 6 While I was _____ last week, _____
- 7 _____ yesterday when _____



B Use the words to make sentences with one event in progress and one interrupting action.

3 GRAMMAR AND VOCABULARY

A **Circle** the correct phrases to complete the conversations.

1 A I was sleeping / slept on the train when someone woke me up / was waking me up at the end of the line.
B Wow! I bet you felt sorry for him / were grateful / were in trouble.

2 A While my nephews rode / were riding the roller coaster, it broke / was breaking.
B Oh no, it sounds like they felt sorry for him / were grateful / were in trouble.

3 A I saw your friend dropped / was dropping the cake while he was carrying / carried it to his girlfriend.
B Yeah, we felt sorry for him / were grateful / were in trouble.

B Complete each sentence. In the first blank, write the correct form of a verb in the box. In the second blank, write your own idea. Remember: use the past continuous, not the simple past, for events that were in progress when something else happened.

break down figure out get lost give ... a ride take care of warn

1 My neighbor went on vacation. I _____ was taking care of _____ his cat when _____ it ran outside

2 Our GPS wasn't working yesterday. We _____ somewhere in Moscow while we _____

3 I had invitations to two weddings on the same day. When I _____ what to do,

4 I found out there was going to be a big storm. I _____ all my neighbors about the storm when _____

5 I really need a new car. My car _____ while I _____

6 I couldn't find my car keys. My sister _____ me to work when _____



