

Instructions: Read the story. For each blank, write the correct form of the verb in parentheses.

Every Saturday morning Maria usually (1) _____ (get up) at 7 a.m., but today she (2) _____ (sleep) late because she (3) _____ (study) until midnight yesterday. While she (4) _____ (make) coffee, her phone (5) _____ (ring) with a message from her friend Luke: “Hurry! We (6) _____ (wait) for you at the park.”

Maria quickly (7) _____ (throw) on her jacket, grabbed her keys, and (8) _____ (run) out the door. Ten minutes later, she (9) _____ (stand) at the bus stop when she suddenly realized she (10) _____ (leave) her wallet at home. While she (11) _____ (decide) what to do, an old school friend she hadn’t seen in years (12) _____ (appear) beside her. They (13) _____ (chat) happily when the bus finally (14) _____ (arrive).

Now, as Maria (15) _____ (ride) the bus toward the park, she (16) _____ (smile) at the unexpected start to her day and thinks, “Weekends never (17) _____ (go) as planned, but they always (18) _____ (be) interesting.”