

Fill in the CORRECT TENSE

Present, present perfect, past, past perfect – simple or progressive



Jonas' story

Every afternoon after school, Jonas _____ (sit) in the small attic room that his grandfather _____ (turn) into a reading corner years ago. The wooden shelves _____ (be) old and crooked, but they _____ (hold) hundreds of books of all shapes and sizes. For as long as anyone _____ (remember), Jonas _____ (be) fascinated by stories, and he _____ (spend) many hours lost in them. Right now, he _____ (read) a thick adventure novel while his cat Minka _____ (lie) next to him, purring softly. His mother _____ (call) him twice already because dinner _____ (stand) on the table for several minutes, but Jonas _____ (not hear) her — he _____ (become) completely absorbed in the plot.

Jonas' love for books _____ (begin) when he _____ (find) an old leather-bound volume in his grandfather's workshop a couple of years ago. After he _____ (open) the first page, he _____ (discover) a world full of heroes, mountains and mysterious machines. And yesterday something unusual _____ (happen). While he _____ (search) for a new book on the top shelf, a dusty notebook (22) _____ directly in front of him. Curious, Jonas _____ (pick) it up and _____ (flip) through the pages. To his surprise, he _____ (see) drawings and notes in his grandfather's handwriting about inventions, travels and dreams. Jonas (28) _____ (feel) a sudden warmth in his chest as he realised that he and his grandfather shared the same love for stories and imagination.