Episode 1 – "The Vanishing of Will Byers" · Fill in the Gaps

NARRATIVE

On a quiet night in Hawkins, four boys _____(1) (play) a game of Dungeons & Dragons in Mike's basement. When the game finished, Will _____(2) (get on) his bike and _____(3) (ride) home alone through the dark streets. Suddenly, something strange _____(4) (appear) in the road in front of him. Will was so scared that he _____(5) (fall off) his bike and _____(6) (run) into the forest. While he _____(7) (hide) behind a shed, a strange creature _____(8) (chase) him – and then he disappeared completely.

The next morning, Will's mother, Joyce, _____(9) (realize) that he never came home, so she called the police right away. Meanwhile, at the very same moment, in a secret government laboratory nearby, scientists _____(10) (test) a mysterious experiment. According to an emergency memo just sent to Hopper's office, something _____(11) (escape) into our world.

Chief Hopper began an investigation, but he _____(12) (know – negative) yet how strange and dangerous this case was about to become.

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NATIVE SPEAKER ENGLISH

Phrasal verbs pulled straight from tonight's case.

Phrasal Verb	Meaning	Example from the case
hop on	to get onto a bike, bus, or vehicle quickly	*Will hopped on his bike as soon as the game ended.*
take out	to remove something, or to defeat / eliminate someone	*Nobody knew what kind of creature could take out a grown man so easily.*
hang up	to end a phone call	*Joyce hung up the phone and grabbed her car keys.*
pull over	to stop a vehicle at the side of the road	*Hopper pulled over near the edge of the forest to look around.*
creep up on	to approach someone quietly and unnoticed	*Something crept up on Will while he was hiding behind the shed.*
run off	to leave quickly, often to escape danger	*Will ran off into the woods to get away from the creature.*
freak out	to become very frightened, panicked, or upset	*Joyce freaked out when she realized Will never came home.*
show up	to arrive somewhere, especially unexpectedly	*A strange girl with a shaved head showed up outside Mike's house.*

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