

Telling a story in the past using irregular verbs : Drag-drop the verbs into the right blanks

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What a strange day !

Last weekend, I _____ in bed sleeping when suddenly I _____ a strange feeling. It _____ me up! I _____ in bed for a while then I _____ up, _____ to the kitchen and _____ myself a cup of coffee. I _____ marmalade on a piece of toast, _____ a large glass of fruit juice and _____ some cereals. I then _____ the cat, and _____ the dog a bone. I _____ a shower and _____ all the things I had to do before going out. I _____ the windows, locked the door behind me and _____ the house.

ate - did - drank - fed - gave - got - had - lay - left - made - shut - spread - took - was - went - woke

As I _____ the house, I _____ a letter on my doorstep. When I _____ my address was _____ in green letters, I _____ it was from my friend John, the 'ecologist'. When we _____ at school, he always _____ trees on the back of envelopes and _____ nothing but green clothes! I _____ the first lines and _____ it was a nice surprise. I _____ a bit jealous and _____ to myself he was really lucky. He had _____ me this mail to _____ me know he was in New York. A cousin of his had _____ him a flat near Central Park - funnily enough, my parents _____ up in New York, not far from where they _____ the Empire State Building. He _____ me that a problem had _____ on his first day there: somebody had _____ his suitcase at the airport so he had no choice but to buy new clothes.

arisen - were - built - drew - felt - found - grew - knew - lent - left - let - read - said - saw - sent - stolen - thought - told - wore - written

As the rain _____ to fall, I _____ to take the bus to go to Trafalgar Square. I _____ the letter in my pocket and _____ to the nearest bus-stop. A bus soon _____ by, I _____ for the bus-fare which _____ me £1.50. As I _____ at the back, an old lady _____ to me: she _____ me a strange story about her family and _____ me pictures of her grandchildren. I _____ that they _____ living in the USA now, in New York, near Central Park. She was sad because they rarely _____ to her. Living so far apart _____ they rarely _____ except for very special occasions when they _____ across the Atlantic. She _____ talking and talking. She didn't know how to _____ a long story short! Seeing Nelson's Column in the distance, I _____ up, _____ hands with the old lady and said goodbye. As the bus _____ on, I was still feeling sorry for her.

began - came - chose - cost - cut - drove - flew - kept - meant - met - paid - put - ran - sat - shook - showed - spoke - stood - told - understood - were - wrote