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Grammar

Narrative tenses

1 Match the sentence halves.

→ a While she was walking along the road,...

1 ___ Jane was feeling tired when she had finished her homework, so...

2 ___ Danilo had forgotten it was Luisa's birthday, so...

3 ___ Martha was getting angry with her sister because...

4 ___ The police arrested the man who had broken the window as...

5 ___ Matt was being very careful because...

6 ___ They were finding it difficult to get into town because...

7 ___ As she was walking home, Lucy stopped and turned back because...

a ~~she found a glove that someone had dropped.~~

b he had already broken one glass while he was washing up.

c a tree had come down, so the police were stopping traffic.

d he sent her a message while he was going back home on the bus.

e they had agreed to meet at six and she still hadn't arrived at half-past.

f she realised she had left her phone on her desk.

g she decided to go to bed.

h he was running away.

Past perfect continuous

2 Complete the sentences with the Past perfect continuous form of the verb in brackets.

→ Ed hadn't been waiting (not wait) long when the train arrived.

1 They were tired because they _____ (travel) for a long time.

2 Paola was extremely hot because she _____ (run) for longer than usual.

3 I _____ (live) in Spain for many years, so I spoke the language pretty well.

4 The teacher was really angry, because the students _____ (not do) their homework for weeks.

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- 5 They _____ (wait) for their meal for an hour when they decided to walk out of the restaurant.
- 6 Lucy was lucky her boss didn't call the police when he found out that she _____ (steal) money.
- 7 The private detective _____ (follow) him for days before he made his first mistake.

Expressions of time

3 Choose the correct expression of time to link these past actions and events.

→ We hadn't realised it was a serious accident *until/after* we saw the ambulance.

- 1 Paul was just getting on the bus *when/until* his father drove into the road.
- 2 She asked to speak to the manager *while/after* the waiter had been rude to her.
- 3 It had got very late *as soon as/by the time* the dessert arrived.
- 4 How long had you been waiting *before/while* the film finally started?
- 5 Toby went home *while/as soon as* he heard the news.
- 6 We had been looking for a flat for months *when/as soon as* we heard there was one in King Street.
- 7 Mara had a shower *while/until* her friends were decorating the cake.

Modals of deduction: present

4 Complete the dialogue with **must, can't or may (not)/might (not)**.

Kim I've been looking for Craig all over the college.

Mick He → might be in his room.

Kim He ¹ _____ be – the door's locked.

Mick Have you tried the library? He ² _____ be in there.

Kim No, he ³ _____ be, because it's closed this morning.

Mick Have you tried the swimming pool?

Kim He ⁴ _____ be there either. It's closed on Tuesdays.

Mick He ⁵ _____ be somewhere! Why are you looking for him?

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Kim We have a lesson with Professor Blake this afternoon. You know what he's like, he ⁶ _____ remember.

Mick Look! Who's that walking past the dining hall? Isn't that Craig?

Kim That's his jacket, so it ⁷ _____ be him!

Modals of deduction: past

5 Rewrite the sentences using **must have**, **can't have**, **might (not)/may (not) have** + past participle.

→ I'm certain that she's late because she missed the bus.

She must have missed the bus.

1 I know that Mary fell off her bike.

Mary _____.

2 I'm not sure, but it's possible that Smith has won the election.

Smith _____.

3 I'm certain I locked the front door.

I _____.

4 You didn't fail your exam – it's impossible.

You _____.

5 I'm sure we remembered to send him a birthday card.

We _____.

6 Perhaps they arrived on time if they hurried.

They _____.

7 It's possible that she didn't have her phone with her.

She _____.

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Vocabulary Writers and writing

6 Write the words

A person who writes for a newspaper journalist.

- 1 Someone who writes poetry _____.
- 2 This person writes about events from the past _____.
- 3 Charles Dickens was a _____.
- 4 Shakespeare is best known as a _____.
- 5 Someone who writes about other people's lives _____.
- 6 This person tells jokes and funny stories _____.

Phrasal verbs with *up*

7 Complete the sentences using *up* and the correct form of a verb below.

speak come end give turn put

→ Can you speak up? The people at the back can't hear you.

- 1 Izzy wanted to _____ ice skating but her mum said she couldn't.
- 2 Ruth _____ at school on a brand new moped.
- 3 Tom _____ with some really good ideas about a theme for the party.
- 4 Susie's so rude. I don't know how Philippa _____ with her behaviour.
- 5 After about half an hour, Jan finally _____ in the right village.

Collocations with *say, speak, talk, tell*

8 Complete the mini-dialogues with the correct form of *say, speak, talk* or *tell*.

- 1 **A** Anna is particularly good at → telling stories.
B Yes, a lot of people _____ very highly of her.
- 2 **A** _____ the truth now, do I look better in the green or the blue?
B It'll be so dark in there that no one will be able to _____ the difference.

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3 **A** Manchester United are better than Manchester City? Stop _____ nonsense!
B _____ for yourself!

4 **A** _____ hi to Max from me.
B OK, I'll see him later. He's _____ me into going to a concert with him.