



Englisch, Beispiel 1

1. Put the verbs in brackets into the correct tense and form.

1. Eventually, I dropped off to sleep. The next thing I (1. know) _____ the compartment (2. be) _____ almost empty and the train (3. be) _____ stationary. Then I (4. realise) _____ that the parcel (5. go) _____ !
I (6. sit) _____ in shock for what (7. seem) _____ an eternity when a sharp rap (8. sound) _____ on the door and it (9. kick) _____ open by an angry-looking soldier.
2. Debbie is an administrator at the university. She (10. organise) _____ all the timetables and teaching schedules. She (11. work) _____ very long hours at the moment because it's the start of the academic year but she (12. go) _____ on a short holiday at the end of the month.
3. Throughout its history China (13. suffer) _____ terrible earthquakes. Cities (14. destroy) _____ and thousands killed. Nowadays, all over the country there are seismographic centres where earthquakes can easily (15. predict) _____ .
4. Yesterday a purse snatcher (16. catch) _____ by a dog. While the thief (17. chase) _____ by the police, he (18. jump) _____ over a fence into somebody's yard, where he encountered a ferocious dog. The dog (19. keep) _____ the thief from escaping.
5. The hall of thirteen-century Chingle Hall near Preston (20. build) _____ in 1260 by Alan de Singleton and it (21. have) _____ a remarkable history ever since. Oliver Cromwell is said to have stayed at the house on the eve of a battle in 1648, and the sound of a running horse can (22. hear) _____ in the lane outside. Henry Soaper and his family (23. live) _____ in the house for ten years now. Some time after they (24. move) _____ in, while the house (25. restore) _____, they (26. find) _____ ancient fireplaces, timber from Viking ships and an old chapel.
6. "I've got some news for you. Jeremy and I have fixed the date of our wedding. We (27. get married) _____ on June 25th."
"Why this sudden rush?"
"Well, in August the firm (28. send) _____ Jeremy to Saudi Arabia for a year and they (29. not allow) _____ me to go with him if we (30. not get married) _____, you know."

2. Put the following sentences into the passive voice. Only mention the agent [by ...] if necessary.

Example: People speak English all over the world.

→ English is spoken all over the world.

1. William the Conqueror built the castle in the 11th century.

2. People will eat more vegetables in the future.

3. The police were following the suspect.

4. We will have to sign the papers.

5. Someone has changed the lock of the front door.

6. Can we do anything to protect the animals from the dangers of the road?

3. Fill in the correct relative pronoun; where it can be omitted, indicate this by - .

Example: This is the typewriter _____ doesn't work properly.

→ This is the typewriter *that / which* doesn't work properly.

1. Have you got the money _____ I lent you yesterday?

2. Is this the person _____ stole your handbag?

3. This is the machine _____ cost half a million pounds.

4. We visited the school _____ my father taught.

5. There's the lady _____ dog was killed.

6. Did they tell you the reason _____ they were late?

4. Put the following sentences into reported speech, using a reporting verb in the past tense. Make other changes if necessary.

Example: "I'm very pleased."

→ She told us that she was very pleased.

1. "I'll see you tomorrow," said Meg.

2. "How are you?" Alice asked John.

3. "Bobby, don't touch this wire!" said the mother.

4. "I'm meeting you and your brother at four o'clock today," said the manager.

5. "Why didn't you report the crime?" the judge asked me.

6. "I met the children for the first time about three months ago," she said.

7. "If I stay in a hotel for a whole week, it must be cheap," said Mike.

5. Make questions asking about the sentence parts in italics.

Example: Ben likes *colourful and robust* bicycles.

→ What bicycles does Ben like?

1. I am laughing at *the funny joke*.

2. Mary will go to the cinema with *the children*.

3. I didn't tell him *because I didn't want to hurt his feelings*.

4. *Queen Elizabeth's* dogs are Corgies.

5. There have been *a lot of* fights in the streets recently.

6. I was *in Berne* last weekend.

6. Composition: Choose one of the following titles and write a text of about 150 words on it.

1. A movie I liked
2. A memorable day
3. A dream I would like to realise