

GRAMMAR

Complete the second sentence so that it means the same as the first.

- 1 I'm almost sure you left your phone in the restaurant.
You _____ your phone in the restaurant.
- 2 It was wrong of you not to tell me you'd borrowed my car.
You _____ me you'd borrowed my car.
- 3 It's possible that the backpackers got lost.
The backpackers _____ lost.
- 4 I'm sure it wasn't Jake's fault. He wasn't there last night.
It _____ Jake's fault. He wasn't there last night.
- 5 I think somebody has tried to break in.
It looks _____ somebody has tried to break in.
- 6 This meat has a very similar taste to beef.
This meat _____ beef.
- 7 I don't like cooking fish because then there's an awful smell in the kitchen.
I don't like cooking fish because then the kitchen _____.
- 8 The accident happened when they were repairing the road.
The accident happened when the road _____.
- 9 They'll probably never find the murderer.
The murderer will probably _____.
- 10 People think the burglar is a teenager.
The burglar is thought _____ a teenager.
- 11 People say that crime doesn't pay.
It _____ that crime doesn't pay.
- 12 We want someone to fix the shower.
We need to have _____.
- 13 "I think you should talk to a lawyer," I said to Keiko.
I advised Keiko _____ to a lawyer.
- 14 "I didn't kill my husband," Margaret said.
Margaret denied _____.
- 15 "I'm sorry I'm late," James said.
James _____ late.

VOCABULARY

a Circle the correct verb.

- 1 Please *remind* / *remember* the children to do their homework.
- 2 A I'm so sorry.
B Don't worry. It doesn't *mind* / *matter*.
- 3 The robbers *stole* / *robbed* \$50,000 from the bank.
- 4 If you know the answer, *raise* / *rise* your hand. Don't shout.
- 5 Don't *discuss* / *argue* about it! You know that I'm right.
- 6 My brother *refuses* / *denies* to admit that he has a problem.

b Circle the word that is different.

- 1 palm calf wrist thumb
- 2 kidney lung hip liver
- 3 wink wave hold touch
- 4 robber vandal burglar pickpocket
- 5 fraud smuggler theft terrorism
- 6 evidence judge jury witness

c Write the verbs for the definitions.

- 1 _____ to bite food into small pieces in your mouth
- 2 _____ to rub your skin with your nails
- 3 _____ to look at something or somebody for a long time
- 4 _____ to make a serious, angry, or worried expression
- 5 _____ to find a way of entering somebody's computer
- 6 _____ to demand money from somebody by threatening to tell a secret about them
- 7 _____ to give somebody money so that they help you (especially if it's dishonest)
- 8 _____ to leave your job (especially in newspaper headlines)


d Complete the missing words.

- 1 The *Sunday Times* TV cr_____ wrote a very negative review of the show.
- 2 This paper always supports the government. It's very b_____.
- 3 The journalist's report was c_____ by the newspaper. They cut some of the things he had wanted to say because of government rules.
- 4 My favorite n_____ is the woman on the six o'clock news on channel 2.
- 5 The article in the newspaper wasn't very acc_____
– a lot of the facts were completely wrong.

PRONUNCIATION

a Circle the word with a different sound.

1  elbow frown eyebrows **vow**

2  honest heart hip **hack**

3  fraud caught yawn **journalist**

4  lungs touch shoulder **smuggle**

5 /yu/ argue refuse **news** jury

b Underline the main stressed syllable.

1 re|a|lize 3 van|da|lism 5 ob|jec|tive

2 black|mail 4 co|mmen|ta|tor

CAN YOU understand this text?

a Read the article once. What is a *web sleuth*?

b Read the article again and complete it with phrases A–F.

- A any information is obviously welcome
- B are fascinated with crime and missing persons
- C there's still a debate about whether amateur sleuthing is good or bad
- D the police have come to the site for help
- E these instances aren't very common
- F he never looked back

▶ CAN YOU understand these people?

8.19 Watch or listen and choose a, b, or c.



1

Melanie



2

Erica



3

Victoria



4

Diarmuid

- 1 Melanie _____.
 - a argues with her sister about housework
 - b always wins arguments with her sister
 - c hates arguing with her sister
- 2 When Erica acted in the play *A Woman's Worth* she _____.
 - a felt nervous because her family was in the audience
 - b played a woman who was afraid of marriage
 - c played a woman who had problems with her boyfriend
- 3 Victoria witnessed a crime where the criminal _____.
 - a escaped
 - b was caught
 - c was injured
- 4 Diarmuid _____.
 - a is skeptical about what he reads in the news
 - b gets his news mainly from newspaper apps
 - c is only really interested in sports news

Solving crimes from the bedroom

It seems that people are starting to take the law into their own hands. Is it time for the police to take web sleuths seriously?

Carl Koppelman, a former accountant from California, is part of a not-so-small community of citizen-detectives who ¹ _____. They look through all the clues, police reports, and online tips to uncover what the police may have missed. Carl discovered the world of sleuthing after reading an article about Jaycee Lee Dugard. The man who held her captive for 18 years had just been arrested and Jaycee had been reunited with her family. He was eager to discuss it with other people, and after finding an online forum, ² _____. Carl says that his interest has turned into an obsession. "I read through the stories...and thought it was just fascinating. You had average, everyday, normal people going on websites and solving crimes that the police have never been able to."

Tricia Arrington-Griffith owns the website WebSleuths. She can recall many times that ³ _____. "In 2014, a detective came to us with a piece of evidence, a particular T-shirt, from an unsolved murder. Within 36 hours, one of our members had found out exactly where the T-shirt was made, how much it cost, and where it was sold." Tricia says that the police

were incredibly grateful on this occasion, but she admits that ⁴ _____. She believes that the police mainly view citizen-detectives as troublemakers. "And we have had other problems," she admits. "WebSleuths was my first introduction to unpleasant behavior online."

So what do the police really think? Stewart Smith, an ex-Crime Prevention Officer, says, "I personally feel that the work many of these sleuths do is fantastic. Police resources are limited, so ⁵ _____. But sleuths must be "careful and considerate in their investigations, especially towards family members." Family members just like Karen Downes. Her daughter, Charlene, disappeared over 14 years ago in Blackpool, U.K., and there's been no trace of her since, but hundreds of people are still trying to solve the mystery online. Karen is delighted with the helpful and respectful amateur sleuths, but her husband Bob disagrees. Claims that he killed his own daughter were posted all over the internet by citizen-detectives; he was even physically attacked on the street, and this is not unusual behavior. So ⁶ _____. It's clearly a fascinating hobby, but all citizen-detectives need to make sure they are familiar with the law and behave appropriately.

