

# Revision of Tenses 3

**Task 1:** Fill in the correct form of the words in brackets. When you see (???), you have to find a suitable word.

## *Halloween*

On the 1<sup>st</sup> of November Tim \_\_\_\_\_ (**write**) into his diary:

Yesterday it \_\_\_\_\_ (**be**) Halloween. All day long, the children \_\_\_\_\_ (**cut**) faces into some pumpkins.

In the morning Marc \_\_\_\_\_ (**write**) a letter to the 'Great Pumpkin'. He \_\_\_\_\_ (**do**) this every year because he \_\_\_\_\_ (**believe**) that the 'Great Pumpkin' rises up \_\_\_\_\_ (???) the pumpkin patch every Halloween night with a bag full of toys. \_\_\_\_\_ (**you, ever, hear**) such a silly story? Nobody else believes \_\_\_\_\_ (???) the 'Great Pumpkin' and so everybody laughed at him. Only Mary \_\_\_\_\_ (**not, laugh**) at him because she is in love \_\_\_\_\_ (???) him and believes in anything he \_\_\_\_\_ (**say**).

All the children \_\_\_\_\_ (**receive**) an invitation to a Halloween party the day before. Peter \_\_\_\_\_ (**be**) very happy about that as he \_\_\_\_\_ (**never, get**) an invitation to a party before.

\_\_\_\_\_ (???) the evening Marc sat down in the pumpkin patch and \_\_\_\_\_ (**start**) waiting. While he \_\_\_\_\_ (**wait**) there the other children \_\_\_\_\_ (**get**) ready for the Halloween party. For hours they were cutting holes \_\_\_\_\_ (???) white sheets for their eyes and mouth and were dressing \_\_\_\_\_ (???) ghosts. While all the other children were going from house \_\_\_\_\_ (???) house playing 'tricks or treats' to the neighbourhood Mary \_\_\_\_\_ (**return**) to Marc and \_\_\_\_\_ (**sit down**) beside him in the pumpkin patch. The children received a lot \_\_\_\_\_ (???) sweets and so they \_\_\_\_\_ (**be**) very happy today. Afterwards they \_\_\_\_\_ (**have**) fun at the Halloween party all night long. Marc and Mary were still waiting for the 'Great Pumpkin'.

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### ***Martha's Vineyard***

Martha's Vineyard is an island five miles \_\_\_\_\_ (???) the coast of Massachusetts. Anyone \_\_\_\_\_ (???) has seen Steven Spielberg's famous horror film 'Jaws' knows this island where the movie \_\_\_\_\_ (produce) in 1974.

The island is \_\_\_\_\_ (???) of the favourite holiday destinations on the east coast of the USA, famous for its lovely beaches and its many hills. It's also great for water sports like surfing and sailing. Only 15.000 people \_\_\_\_\_ (live) permanently in and around the island's six towns – Edgartown, Oak Bluffs, Tisbury, West Tisbury, Chilmark and Aquinnah. But in summer the total amount of people \_\_\_\_\_ (increase) to 100.000. That means the island \_\_\_\_\_ (crowd) with people and cars in the summer. Many famous people go \_\_\_\_\_ (???) holiday here, too.

The name \_\_\_\_\_ (give) to the island by the British explorer Bartholomew Gosnold, who \_\_\_\_\_ (sail) there in 1602. He named the island \_\_\_\_\_ (???) his baby daughter, Martha, and called it 'vineyard' because of the many wild grapevines that \_\_\_\_\_ (grow) there. Before Gosnold and other European settlers \_\_\_\_\_ (arrive), Wampanoag Indians \_\_\_\_\_ (live) on the island. When the Europeans \_\_\_\_\_ (one) came to the island there \_\_\_\_\_ (be) four tribes with about 3.000 members. But the native people \_\_\_\_\_ (catch) diseases the Europeans \_\_\_\_\_ (bring) with them and many died.

At first, the settlers \_\_\_\_\_ (live) by farming and fishing, but after 1800, whaling became \_\_\_\_\_ (???) important industry. Natives and Europeans \_\_\_\_\_ (hunt) whales along the coast for some years, but now, whaling ships \_\_\_\_\_ (go) on long voyages to seas far away. Martha's Vineyard became a whaling centre, the island made a lot of money with the trade, and great villas \_\_\_\_\_ (build) by rich businessmen in Edgartown. Whales \_\_\_\_\_ (use) for their oil, but in 1859, oil \_\_\_\_\_ (discover) in Pennsylvania. This was the death of the whaling industry, because petroleum products were much \_\_\_\_\_ (good) and cheaper \_\_\_\_\_ (???) whale oil for lighting lamps. By the 1870s, the Vineyard's whaling industry had died.

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### ***Flashmobs***

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