27 When I last (see) her she (hurry) along the road to the station. I (ask) her where she (go) and she (say), 'London', but I don't think she (speak) the truth because there (not be) any train for London at that time.
28 The tailor said, 'Your suit will be ready on Monday.' But when I (call) on Monday he still (work) on it.
29 The teacher (come) into the classroom unusually early and one of the boys, who (smoke) a cigarette, (have) no time to put it out. So he (throw) it into the desk and (hope) for the best.
30 A little later the teacher (notice) that smoke (rise) from this desk. 'You (smoke) when I (come) in?' he (ask).
31 While I (swim) someone (steal) my clothes and I (have to) walk home in my swimsuit.
32 The men (say) that they (work) on the road outside my house and that they (want) some water to make tea.
33 He (say) that he (build) himself a house and that he (think) it would be ready in two years.
34 At 3 a.m. Mrs Pitt (wake) her husband and (say) that she (think) that someone (try) to get into the house.
35 Why you (lend) him that book? I still (read) it. ~
I'm sorry. I (not know) that you still (read) it.
36 I (come) in very late last night and unfortunately the dog (wake) up and (start) to bark. This (wake) my mother who (come) to the top of the stairs and (say), 'Who is there?'
I (say), 'It is me,' but she (not hear) me because the dog (bark) so loudly, so she (go) back to her room and (telephone) the police.

38 The present perfect tense

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Put the verbs in brackets into the present perfect tense, and fill the spaces by repeating the auxiliary.

You (wash) the plates? ~
Yes, I . . .
Have you washed the plates? ~
Yes, I have.

You (see) him lately? ~
No, I . . .
Have you seen him lately? ~
No, I haven't.

1 Where you (be)? ~
I (be) to the dentist.
2 You (have) breakfast? ~
Yes, I . . .

3 The post (come)? ~
Yes, it . . .
4 You (see) my watch anywhere? ~
No, I'm afraid I . . .
5 Someone (wind) the clock? ~
Yes, Tom . . .
6 I (not finish) my letter yet.
7 He just (go) out.
8 Someone (take) my bicycle.
9 The phone (stop) ringing.
10 You (hear) from her lately? ~
No, I . . .
11 I just (wash) that floor.
12 The cat (steal) the fish.
13 You (explain) the exercise? ~
Yes, I . . .
14 There aren't any buses because the drivers (go) on strike.
15 You (have) enough to eat? ~
Yes, I (have) plenty, thank you.
16 Charles (pass) his exam? ~
Yes, he . . .
17 How many bottles the milkman (leave)? ~
He (leave) six.
18 I (live) here for ten years.
19 How long you (know) Mr Pitt? ~
I (know) him for ten years.
20 Would you like some coffee? I just (make) some.
21 Mary (water) the tomatoes? ~
Yes, I think she . . .
22 You (not make) a mistake? ~
No, I'm sure I . . .
23 Why you (not mend) the fuse? ~
I (not have) time.
24 You (dive) from the ten-metre board yet? ~
No, I . . .
25 You ever (leave) a restaurant without paying the bill? ~
No, I . . .
26 I (ask) him to dinner several times.
27 He always (refuse).
28 You ever (ride) a camel?
29 I (buy) a new carpet. Come and look at it.
30 He (post) the letter?
31 Why he (not finish)? He (have) plenty of time.
32 I often (see) him but I never (speak) to him.
33 You ever (eat) caviar? ~
No, I . . .
34 We just (hear) the most extraordinary news.