

Exercise 1

- Fill in the blanks of the passage with the appropriate verb tense

"I _____ (wish) he _____ (let) me _____ (know)," the young man _____ (say). "I _____ (write) him a letter _____ (say) that I _____ (come). I' _____ (have) all this trouble for 20 nothing. Well, since he _____ (be) here, there is no point in _____ (wait)."

He _____ (thank) Mrs Crump and _____ (go out). Mrs Crump _____ (go) to the window and _____ (watch) him _____ (drive off). When his car _____ (be) out of sight, she (call out):

"You _____ (can) _____ (come out)now, Mr White. He's gone."

Mr White came out of the kitchen, where he _____ (wait) .

"Many thanks, Mrs Crump," he _____ (say), _____ (laugh). "You _____ (do) did that very well. These nephews of mine never: _____ (give) me any peace. That young man _____ (be) the worst of them all. As you _____ (see), when he _____ (need) money, he even _____ (follow) me into the country. Well, perhaps next

Time he _____ (warn) me by _____ (write) me a letter!"

Key

"I **wish** he **had let** me **know**," the young man **said**. "I **wrote** him a letter **saying** that I **was coming**. I've **had** all this trouble for 20 nothing. Well, since he **isn't** here, there is no point in **waiting**."

He **thanked** Mrs Crump and **went out**. Mrs Crump **went** to the window and **watched** him **drive off**. When his car **was** out of sight, she **called out**:

"You **can come out** now, Mr White. He's gone."

Mr White came out of the kitchen, where he **had been waiting**.

"Many thanks, Mrs Crump," he **said, laughing**. "You **did** that very well.

These nephews of mine never **give** me any peace. That young man **is** the worst of them all. As you **see**, when he **needs** money, he even **follows** me into the country. Well, perhaps next

Time he **won't warn** me by **writing** me a letter!"