

Once there were four children whose names were Peter, Susan, Edmund and Lucy. This story happened to _____ (THEY) when they had to leave their home city, London, during the war. They _____ (SEND) to the house of an old Professor who lived in the country, ten miles from the nearest railway station. He _____ (NOT/HAVE) a wife and he lived in a very large house with a housekeeper. He himself was a very old man with white hair which grew over most of his face as well as on his head.

The children liked him almost at once. Only Lucy, who was the _____ (YOUNG) of them, felt a little afraid of him. On their _____ (ONE) evening, after dinner, they said good night to the Professor and went upstairs. It was the largest house they had ever seen, so Peter suggested exploring it in the morning. When the next morning came, there was a steady rain falling.

"I wish the weather _____ (BE) more cheerful!" said Edmund. "Stop complaining, Ed," said Susan. "I think the weather _____ (IMPROVE) soon." "We were going to explore the house," Peter reminded them. He _____ (EAT) a sandwich at the moment and was absolutely happy with the whole situation.

Everyone nodded and at that point their amazing adventures _____ (BEGIN).

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