3 **Decide if the verb form underlined is correct or not. If it is correct, write a tick. If not, correct it.**

Text 1: The train (1) ground to a halt at a small station miles from London, and it (2) became apparent that the engine (3) had broken down. Everyone (4) was getting their cases down from the luggage racks, and we (5) were waiting on the platform in the freezing wind for hours until the next train (6) was turning up.

1 ✓ 3 ..... 5 .....

2 ..... 4 ..... 6 .....

Text 2: The mysterious disappearance of Professor Dawson (1) was on Inspector Gorse's mind. Six months before the Professor's disappearance, he (2) was receiving a letter from Jean Dawson, the Professor's wife. In the letter, Jean (3) accused her husband of plotting to murder her. Gorse (4) considered what his next step should be when the phone rang. It was Sergeant Adams from the Thames Valley police force. A fisherman (5) discovered a body in the River Thames, and it (6) fitted the description of the Professor.

1 ..... 3 ..... 5 .....

2 ..... 4 ..... 6 .....

4 **Put each verb in brackets into a suitable past verb form.**

This time last year I (1) was cycling (cycle) in the rain along a country road in France with a friend of mine. We (2) ..... (decide) to go on a cycling holiday in Normandy. Neither of us (3) ..... (be) to France before, but we (4) ..... (know) some French from our time at school and we (5) ..... (manage) to brush up on the basics. Now we (6) ..... (wonder) if we (7) ..... (make) the right decision. We (8) ..... (plan) our route carefully in advance, but we (9) ..... (forget) one important thing, the weather. It (10) ..... (rain) solidly since our arrival and that night we (11) ..... (end up) sleeping in the waiting room at a railway station. Then the next morning as we (12) ..... (ride) down a steep hill my bike (13) ..... (skid) on the wet road and I (14) ..... (fall off). I (15) ..... (realise) immediately that I (16) ..... (break) my arm, and after a visit to the local hospital I (17) ..... (catch) the next train to Calais for the ferry home. Unfortunately my parents (18) ..... (not/expect) me home for a fortnight, and (19) ..... (go) away on holiday. So I (20) ..... (spend) a miserable couple of weeks alone, reading 'Teach Yourself French'.