

Read the text about a young woman discovering she has been robbed. Then choose the correct answer (A, B, C or D) for each question (1-6). Put a cross (☒) in the correct box on the answer sheet. The first one (0) has been done for you.

The burglary

She had seen it coming. She had heard so many tales of jewellery, things of sentimental and monetary value, sifted through and snatched. Neighbours fallen victim to trust in human nature and faith in that age-old mantra, "It won't happen to me", had been burgled one after the other. Afterwards, motion sensors and alarms had been installed and advice duly issued: get time switches for the lights, get an alarm, you're all on your own now, after all – take precautions!

So it hardly came as a surprise when Jane got in late one night to find her jewellery box disgorging its contents onto the bedroom floor. She stood transfixed, heart thumping, straining to detect a sound, but apart from the humming of the fridge in the kitchen, there was none. "So this is it," she thought. Slowly she took stock of the loss: her beloved silver bracelets and handcrafted beads cascaded from the box in a bright tangle; apparently only a few items of gold were missing.

After a moment she turned from the bedroom, curious to know how they had got in. A draught of cold air guided her towards the bathroom; the window was slightly ajar. It was only after peering out into the dark silence of the garden and then carefully securing the window that Jane realised she probably shouldn't have touched anything before the police arrived. Instinctively, she wiped her hands on her jeans and then smiled at her own irrationality.

A mark on the bathroom floor caught her eye. She knelt down to inspect it. It was possibly the tread of a running shoe, not a large size for a man. Jane placed her foot next to the pattern on the tile. Why did she presume it was a male that had invaded her private sphere and helped himself to her belongings? Would she have been a match for this person, whatever their gender, if she had caught them in the act?

It occurred to her that the last person to enter her home unbidden had been David. One evening, not long after she had plucked up the courage to show him the door, expressing in no uncertain terms her need to be unburdened of his company for good, she had come home to find him in front of the television, feet on the coffee table, swigging her beer. He had grinned, claimed she didn't know her own mind: it was a phase, they would patch things up. How to make a man return your key? When it comes to brute force, he will always prevail. Consequently, she had had the locks changed and eventually, finally, the phone calls had ceased.

Jane pulled out her mobile as she wandered back to the bedroom. She leaned against the wall and contemplated calling the police. Suddenly she felt immensely weary; it had been a long day and she was ready for bed. How long would it take them to arrive, do whatever it was they did, and leave again? What had actually been taken? The ring David got her last Christmas (a cheaper version of the one she had asked for), a couple of necklaces ("But all that glitters is not 18ct," she mused wryly), and a ghastly chunk of vulgarity that David had inherited from his grandmother and insisted she wore when his boss had them over for dinner.

The intruder hadn't ransacked her drawers or trashed her house; he had been discreet and discerning. Was it absurd that she felt almost grateful to him? Now, at long last, she would have that burglar alarm put in. Better still, he had magicked away the last reminders of the year when David had ruled her life.

Her mobile back in her pocket, Jane went to fetch a sponge. First she would clean the tiles and then she would tidy up her jewellery, the bits and pieces she had bought herself, the things she loved.

- 0 **The people in the neighbourhood had**
- A reassured Jane.
 - B given Jane tips.
 - C all had jewellery stolen more than once.
 - D been burgled in spite of having security systems.
- 1 **Jane's immediate reaction to the break-in was to feel**
- A curious as to how the burglar had entered the house.
 - B surprised that her jewellery was falling out of its box.
 - C pleased that her favourite things were still there.
 - D anxious that the burglar might still be around.
- 2 **Jane's reason for going into the bathroom was to**
- A find out more.
 - B clean her hands so as not to leave fingerprints.
 - C get away from the scene in the bedroom.
 - D look outside.
- 3 **In the bathroom, Jane**
- A wondered why most criminals were men.
 - B reflected on her own reactions.
 - C found something the burglar had dropped.
 - D realised she did not need to be afraid.
- 4 **Jane had**
- A done nothing specific to discourage David.
 - B once invited David back after asking him to leave.
 - C resisted David's attempts to make her change her mind.
 - D forced David to give back what belonged to her.
- 5 **Jane was undecided about reporting the incident, thinking that**
- A the police might want to ask questions about David.
 - B she would not be taken seriously.
 - C she would have the police in her home for some time.
 - D the police might be incompetent.
- 6 **Jane did not report the incident mainly because**
- A she felt sorry for the burglar.
 - B her priority was to get things back in order.
 - C the missing items had not cost much.
 - D she felt she had benefited from it.

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