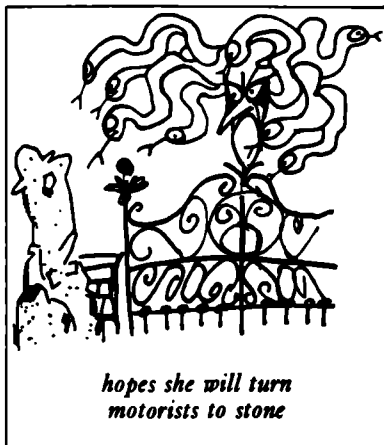


28 No Parking!

- Jasper White is one of those rare people who believes in ancient myths. He has just bought a new house in the city, but ever since he moved in, he has had trouble with motorists. When he returns home at night, he always finds that someone has parked a car outside his gate. Because of this, he has not been able to get his own car into his garage even once.
- 10 Jasper has put up 'No Parking' signs outside his gate, but these have not had any effect. Now he has put an ugly stone head over the gate. It is one of the ugliest faces I have ever seen. I asked him what it was
- 15 and he told me that it was Medusa, the Gorgon. Jasper hopes that she will turn motorists to stone. But none of them has been turned to stone yet!



Comprehension and Précis

Answer these questions in not more than 65 words.

1. What does Jasper White believe in?
2. Where do motorists always park their cars? Has he put up 'No Parking' signs or not? Have they paid any attention to them or not? (*so . . . but*)
3. What has he put over his gate now?
4. Whose head is it?
5. What does he want her to do? Has she done so yet or not? (*but*)

Composition

Rewrite these sentences using the correct verbs and joining words:

My wife (drives) (leads) a car. She has (driven) (ridden) a car for many years (and) (but) she says that women drivers (do not deserve) (are not worth) their bad reputation. Yet, on the road, she often (criticizes) (judges) other women drivers.

Letter-writing

I am writing to someone who lives in the same country as I do. Which of these two headings would be correct?

19 High Lane,
Newton,
Middlesex.
10th September, 19—

19 High Lane,
Newton,
Middlesex,
England.
10th September, 19—

Key Structures

What has happened?

Study these sentences carefully. Pay close attention to the words in italics:

I have *just* received a letter from my brother, Tim. (KS 19)

I have not seen Tim *since* last January.

I have not seen Tim *since* 1964.
 I have not seen Tim *for* three years.
 Tim has been abroad *for* three years.
Up till now he has won five prizes.
Up till now I have been to New York *three times*.
 I have been to New York *three times so far*.
 Have you been to New York?
 Have you seen this film?
 Have you read this book?

Exercises

A. Underline the verbs in the passage that tell us *what has happened*.

B. Give the correct form of the verbs in brackets. Do not refer to the passage until you finish the exercise:

Jasper White is one of those rare people who believes in ancient myths. He just (buy) a new house in the city, but ever since he moved in, he (have) trouble with motorists. When he returns home at night, he always finds that someone (park) a car outside his gate. Because of this, he (not be) able to get his own car into his garage even once. Jasper (put) up 'No Parking' signs outside his gate, but these (not have) any effect. Now he (put) an ugly stone head over the gate. It is one of the ugliest faces I ever (see). I asked him what it ~~was~~ and he ~~told me~~ that it was Medusa, the Gorgon. Jasper hopes ~~that she~~ will turn motorists to stone. But none of them (turn) to stone yet!

Special Difficulties

Who, Which, That, and Whose

Instead of saying:

The man *whom* you met yesterday is an actor.

The book *which* you lent me is not very interesting.

The flowers *that* I love best are roses.

We *cannot* leave out *who*, *which*, *that* or *whose* in these sentences:

Jasper White is one of those rare people *who* believes in ancient myths. (ll. 1-2)

This is the hotel *which* was built last year.

This is the island *that* was bought by a millionaire.

The pilot *whose* plane landed in a field was not hurt.

We can say:

The man you met yesterday is an actor.

The book you lent me is not very interesting.

The flowers I love best are roses.

Exercise

Supply *who*, *which*, *that* or *whose* only where necessary:

1. The only games . . . I play are football and tennis.
2. He is the only student . . . understands English well.
3. He is a writer . . . books are seldom read.
4. This is the hotel at . . . we are staying.
5. Is this the money . . . you lost?
6. That is the horse . . . won the race.
7. He is the sort of person . . . everyone admires.