Last summer our house \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_(paint) by me. The job took about two weeks. First, the

exterior \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_(wash) using warm water and a mild detergent. Then all the chinks and pores in the walls \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_(seal) with putty. After the putty had had a chance to dry, the exterior could be painted. A latex paint -------------(use) because it is easy to apply and cleans up with water. A whole week ---------------(need) to finish this part of the job. I was very careful to apply the paint evenly because I did not want to have to apply two coats. A color \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_(use) that was very close to the original color. Our house is a two-story house, which meant that a tall ladder \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_(need) to do the second story. The paint can had to be balanced on the top rung of the ladder while I worked. When the job \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_(finish), a great deal of satisfaction was felt by me. I had to pat myself on the back. Even my dad said that a good job was done.