

## Using correct verb tense shifts

### Grade 5 Verbs Worksheet

**Verb tenses** must stay consistent throughout the entire sentence.

Read the story below. Fill in the blank with the correct tense of the given verb.

My family and I decided to go to the new amusement park for my birthday. I had been planning our day for months, and now it **was** (to be) time to go. I \_\_\_\_\_ (to be) very excited.

We \_\_\_\_\_ (arrive) early because I \_\_\_\_\_ (want) to be one of the first people in the park. We \_\_\_\_\_ (go) directly to the biggest roller coaster in the whole park. It \_\_\_\_\_ (look) much bigger in person than in the commercials. I \_\_\_\_\_ (begin) to feel a little bit afraid.

“You \_\_\_\_\_ (to be) okay,” said my brother. “You will have so much fun on the roller coaster. It may \_\_\_\_\_ (seem) scary from here, but I guarantee you \_\_\_\_\_ (love) it.”

I \_\_\_\_\_ (debate) on not riding the roller coaster, but my brother’s words helped.

“I \_\_\_\_\_ (go) to ride it!” I \_\_\_\_\_ (tell) my family. “Let’s do this!”

We waited in line, and then it \_\_\_\_\_ (to be) my turn to go. I got in the ride, \_\_\_\_\_ (attach) my seat belt, and \_\_\_\_\_ (take) a deep breath. Then, the ride \_\_\_\_\_ (start) moving.

The next three minutes \_\_\_\_\_ (to be) amazing! I \_\_\_\_\_ (have) the best time ever. I \_\_\_\_\_ (think) it was going to be scary, but instead it was so much fun. I \_\_\_\_\_ (decide) that I would ride it over and over again.

Next year, we \_\_\_\_\_ (return) to the park for my birthday, and I will not be afraid at all. I \_\_\_\_\_ (look) forward to the visit all year long. I \_\_\_\_\_ (count) down the days already!



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### Answers

My family and I decided to go to the new amusement park for my birthday. I had been planning our day for months, and now it **was** (*to be*) time to go. I **was** (*to be*) very excited.

We **arrived** (*arrive*) early because I **had wanted** (*want*) to be one of the first people in the park. We **went** (*go*) directly to the biggest roller coaster in the whole park. It **looked** (*look*) much bigger in person than in the commercials. I **began** (*begin*) to feel a little bit afraid.

"You **will be** (*to be*) okay," said my brother. "You will have so much fun on the roller coaster. It may **seem** (*seem*) scary from here, but I guarantee you **will love** (*love*) it."

I **had been debating** (*debate*) on not riding the roller coaster, but my brother's words helped.

"I **am going** (*go*) to ride it!" I **told** (*tell*) my family. "Let's do this!"

We waited in line, and then it **was** (*to be*) my turn to go. I got in the ride, **attached** (*attach*) my seat belt, and **took** (*take*) a deep breath. Then, the ride **started** (*start*) moving.

The next three minutes **were** (*to be*) amazing! I **had** (*have*) the best time ever. I **had thought** (*think*) it was going to be scary, but instead it was so much fun. I **decided** (*decide*) that I would ride it over and over again.

Next year, we **will return** (*return*) to the park for my birthday, and I will not be afraid at all. I **will look** (*look*) forward to the visit all year long. I **am counting** (*count*) down the days already!