

Complete each gap in this story with an appropriate past form of the verb in brackets.

When we 0 got (get) up on Sunday morning, the sun 1 _____ (shine) brightly and the sky was a beautiful clear blue. The night before, the weatherman 2 _____ (say) it would stay fine all day, so we 3 _____ (pack) our things into the car and 4 _____ (set) off for the coast. We 5 _____ (drive) for half an hour when we first 6 _____ (notice) the clouds. They were quite small then, but by the time we 7 _____ (get) to the beach, the sky 8 _____ (cloud) over completely and the temperature 9 _____ (drop) considerably. Nevertheless, we 10 _____ (decide) to have the swim that we 11 _____ (promise) ourselves. Then, just as we 12 _____ (change) into our swimming costumes and 13 _____ (get) ready to go into the water, the skies 14 _____ (open) up and it 15 _____ (begin) to pour with rain.

1. was shining
2. (had) said
3. packed
4. set
5. had been driving
6. noticed
7. got
8. had clouded
9. had dropped
10. decided
11. had promised/had been promising
12. were changing
13. (were) getting
14. opened
15. began

