

You are Janet. You cooked dinner for your mum's birthday today. Based on the pictures below, write a diary entry about what happened. Write at least 80 words.



*decide / surprise*



- What was your plan?
- Why did you have such an idea?



*market / prepare*



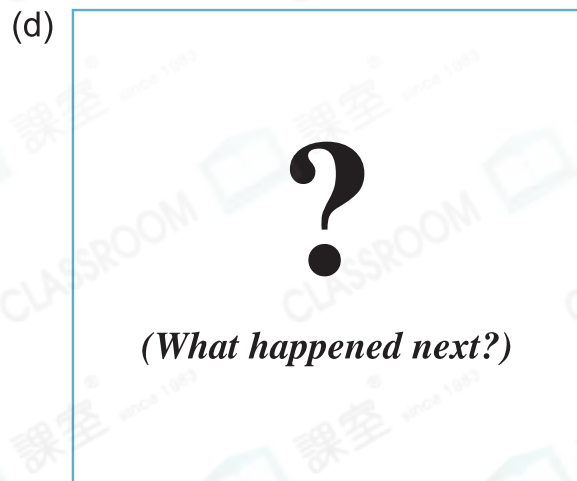
- What did you buy?
- Why did you buy those things?



*overcook / frying pan*



- How did you prepare?
- What was the problem?



- How were the dishes?
- How did your mum feel?

### Pre-writing

**S** Using suitable connectives to link up ideas can **improve the flow** of a piece of writing. Learn the following commonly used connectives.

e.g.

Connectives	Functions
<i>after, before, when</i>	to show time
<i>as a result, therefore, so</i>	to show results
<i>as, since, because</i>	to give reasons
<i>however, but</i>	to show contrasts
<i>finally, in the end, at last</i>	to signal the end of the writing

### Warm Up

Use the following phrases to complete the diary entry. Write the correct letter in each box. (12 marks @ 2 marks)

A. after I went home

B. As a result

C. before Mum came back

D. because Mum likes them a lot

E. In the end

F. Since it was the first time

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Sunny ☀

Today is Mum's birthday. I decided to cook her dinner to surprise her. In the morning, I went to the market to buy some fish and vegetables

① . I started to prepare the food in the kitchen ② . I needed to get them ready ③ .

④  I cooked, it didn't go well. I didn't know the cooking time needed. ⑤ , I overcooked the food on the frying pan.

When Mum arrived home, she asked, 'Are the dishes for me?' 'Yes, but I'm afraid they don't taste good,' I replied. ⑥ , Mum was glad and finished all the food. To my surprise, the dishes were not as bad as I expected.

### Let's Practise

You can write a diary entry of your own on a separate piece of paper.