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ELEMENTARY: CORRECT THE MISTAKE IN EACH SENTENCE

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 3. They're believed to have been a Finnish family.
 4. A psychiatrist was killed in the attack near Annecy.
 5. Another girl, reported to be the four-year-old girl's younger sister, was found shot next to the car.
 6. She's in 'a staple condition' in hospital.
 7. The younger girl in the car had remained hidden for nearly an hour.
 8. Nobody had seen the girl because she hadn't been talking.
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 10. The federation says the plans are 'a major stride forward'.
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3. They're believed to have been a Finnish family. a **British family**
4. A psychiatrist was killed in the attack near Annecy. a **cyclist, not a psychiatrist**
5. Another girl, reported to be the four-year-old girl's younger sister, was found shot next to the car. **elder sister**
6. She's in 'a stable condition' in hospital. 'a **stable condition**'
7. The younger girl in the car had remained hidden for nearly an hour. for **eight hours**
8. Nobody had seen the girl because she hadn't been talking. **She hadn't been moving.**

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10. The federation says the plans are 'a major stride forward'. 'a major **step forward**'
11. The federation says the plans could transform the Asian market. **the housing market**
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15. The charity says its foreign staff in Pakistan have been given two days to leave the country. **two weeks**
16. Pakistani officials have alleged the charity had links with the FBI. **the CIA**

17. David Cameron, the prime minister, has taken issue with a general. a **judge, not a general**
18. The man reportedly said it takes strength to commit a burglary. **courage, not strength**
19. Judge Peter Bowers made his comments at Teesside High Court. **Teesside Crown Court**
20. He gave a suspended prison sentence to a man who'd burgled three shops. **three homes**
21. Mr Cameron said burglary was not bravery, but cowardice and 'a horrible crime'. 'a **hateful crime**'

22. The singer-songwriter Joe North has died in the USA. **Joe South**
23. He wrote a lot of hits including 'I never promised you a nose operation'. 'I never promised you a rose garden'



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INTERMEDIATE: GAP-FILL

1. The first story is about something that happened in _____ - _____ France.
2. Officials have described how they _____ a _____-year-old girl alive in a _____ in which her _____, _____ and _____ had been shot dead.
3. They're believed to have been a _____.
4. A _____ was killed in the attack _____ Annecy.
5. Another girl, reported to be the four-year-old's _____, was found shot next to the _____.
6. She's in a _____ condition in _____.
7. The prosecutor said the _____ girl had remained _____ for eight _____.
8. He said ' _____ the criminal investigation technicians arrived, we were _____ to _____ the vehicle. And it's at that _____ that we discovered a _____ child aged approximately _____ who nobody _____ because she _____ moving.'
9. He went on 'She was _____ a doubt terrorised, immobile in the midst of the _____.'

10. The National Housing Federation says the Government's plans to _____ housing in England are 'a major _____ forward'.
11. The federation says the plans have the potential to _____ the housing _____.
12. The Coalition is relaxing requirements for _____ to provide affordable _____ as part of any development.
13. They are also allowing householders to build _____ extensions _____ having to apply for _____.

14. _____ the Children says its foreign _____ in Pakistan have been given _____ to leave the country.
15. Pakistani officials previously claimed the _____ had been using the charity as a cover.

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17. Judge _____ Bowers made his comments at Teesside _____ Court as he gave a suspended prison sentence to a _____ who'd burgled three _____.
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4. A cyclist was killed in the attack near Annecy.
5. Another girl, reported to be the four-year-old's elder sister, was found shot next to the car.
6. She's in a stable condition in hospital.
7. The prosecutor said the younger girl had remained hidden for eight hours.
8. He said 'Once the criminal investigation technicians arrived, we were able to open the vehicle. And it's at that stage that we discovered a small child aged approximately four years who nobody had seen because she hadn't been moving.'
9. He went on 'She was without a doubt terrorised, immobile in the midst of the bodies.'

10. The National Housing Federation says the Government's plans to boost housing in England are 'a major step forward'.
11. The federation says the plans have the potential to transform the housing market.
12. The Coalition is relaxing requirements for builders to provide affordable housing as part of any development.
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17. Judge Peter Bowers made his comments at Teesside Crown Court as he gave a suspended prison sentence to a man who'd burgled three homes.
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19. The singer-songwriter Joe South has died in the USA aged 72.
20. He wrote a number of hits including 'I never promised you a rose garden'.



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ADVANCED: QUESTIONS

1. Where did the shootings take place?
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 4. What nationality is the family believed to be?
 5. Who else was killed in the attack near Annecy?
 6. Where was another child, believed to be the four-year-old's elder sister, found?
 7. How is she?
 8. How long did the younger girl remain in the car?
 9. Why had nobody noticed that the four-year-old was alive?
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11. Which federation is mentioned?
 12. What does the Government want to boost in England?
 13. What could the Government's plans do, according to the federation?
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19. Who has David Cameron taken issue with?
 20. What did the man say a burglar needed?
 21. Where did Judge Peter Bowers make this comment? *at Teesside* _____
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 22. Who did he give a suspended prison sentence to?
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25. How is Joe South described?
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6. Where was another child, believed to be the four-year-old's elder sister, found? **next to the car**
7. How is she? **She's in a stable condition in hospital.**
8. How long did the younger girl remain in the car? **for eight hours**
9. Why had nobody noticed that the four-year-old was alive? **Because she hadn't been moving.**
10. Which word means 'not moving'? **'immobile'**

11. Which federation is mentioned? **The National Housing Federation**
12. What does the Government want to boost in England? **the construction industry**
13. What could the Government's plans do, according to the federation? **They could transform the housing market. ('with the potential to transform the housing market')**
14. What have builders had to provide until now, as part of any housing development? **affordable housing**
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20. What did the man say a burglar needed? **courage**
21. Where did Judge Peter Bowers make this comment? **at Teesside Crown Court**
22. Who did he give a suspended prison sentence to? **A man who'd burgled three homes.**
23. What is the opposite of 'bravery'? **cowardice**
24. Which word do you hear in front on 'crime'? **'hateful'**

25. How is Joe South described? **as a 'singer-songwriter'**
26. Name one of his most famous hits: **I never promised you a rose garden.**