

Caught in the Act!

A friend of mine, expecting some visitors to tea at her country cottage one afternoon this week, popped some scones into the oven. An _____ later, she was about to _____ into the bath when, horror-stricken, she remembered them. Not even stopping to _____ a towel, she dashed naked downstairs into the kitchen. Her _____ was on the oven handle when she heard a knock on the back door. She was panic stricken. But she _____ sure her caller was the baker who, if there was no reply, would open the door and leave the bread on the kitchen table.

She _____ into the nearest haven: the broom cupboard. The _____ door clicked open. But then, appalled, my friend _____ footsteps coming across the kitchen towards the broom cupboard. The _____ opened and there stood an astonished gas man. He _____ come to read the meter, which is in the cupboard.

My _____ blushed deeply and then explained, "I'm so sorry! I was expecting the baker!" The gas man _____, "Oh! Sorry, madam!" and walked out of the house.



1. Fill in the gaps to complete the text.
2. Use a dictionary to give a definition of the word 'haven' (second paragraph).
3. What might the gas man think about the baker?