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**The team lost the match, yet the fans cheered for the players.**

- 2) Mrs. Susan taught us to play basketball.

**Mrs. Susan taught**

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**fully.**

- 3) Please take care of your dog.

**Please take care of**

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- 4) Tom is very busy doing his homework.

**Tom is very busy**

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midnight.

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- 5) The driver lost his car keys.

**The driver lost hi**

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- 6) I decided to take the dog out for a walk.

**I decided to take the dog out for a little walk, for it was a beautiful morning.**

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**Swimming helps you stay fit, but you have to keep at it to guarantee good results.**

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