**Tense Review-1**

**Fill in the gaps using the verbs in brackets. Change the word order if necessary.**

“So, you 1....................... (think) it is alright to ask her? I mean, just like that?”

“But of course, Tom,” Peter 2...................... (reply), “there is nothing about it. All you have to do is walk up to her and ask her if she would like to go to the dance with you.”

Tom 3 ..................(be troubled) by the idea of asking the beautiful young girl that he 4 ..................... (watch) for so long from his seat in the backrow of the classroom. It 5................... (not be) too long ago that Jane 6 ...................... (joke) in class about his glasses, calling him ‘four-eyes.’ And when he 7 ......................(pick up) the book she 8................... (drop) while walking up the stairs to the chemistry-lab, Jane 9................................ (just look) at him, saying nothing.

“But, Peter, what if she 10 ......................... (say) she 11 ......................... (not want to go)?”

“What about it? Then at least you’ll stop being such a mind-blown fool. And if she 12................... (do want to go) ”

“If she 13 .............................. (do want to go),” Tom interrupted him, because, obviously, he didn’t think she would. “Just imagine, maybe if I 14 ............................ (ask) her, she 15......................... (laugh) in my face! And then, later on, I 16.............................. (not be able to) show my face at school again. But, if I never 17 ........................(ask) her, I 18..................... (at least be) able to go to the dance and maybe even enjoy it.”“Tom – if your parents 19..................... (never talk) to each other, you 20....................... (not be) here, right? And if you 21 ............................... (not be) here, you 22.......................... (not be) able to ask her. But your parents 23................................. (do talk) to each other and you 24............................. (be) able to talk to her. Go, do it now!”

Tom 25................................ (not be) quite sure what to do. Hope and fear 26........................... (run) a race inside of him. He 27.................................

(blush) and knew he couldn’t possibly do it.

“You 28................................ (be) such an absolute teenager, Tom, it is hard to believe you 29............................... (be) out of school in two months. Come on, 30 ............................(be) brave for once in your life and do it.”

Peter 31......................... (be) Tom’s best friend, but even he was tired of Tom’s shyness every now and then.

“You know,” Peter said, “I 32........................... (believe) that one should do one thing every day that is scary.

That way one 33........................... (realize) how much one really is alive. And, besides, you 34 ............................ (feel) better

afterwards.”

“Yeah, sure,” Tom agreed, “just like when you go to the dentist’s and have a tooth pulled out.

First you 35 ........................... (feel) nothing, then you 36............................... (feel) pain and in the end you realize that you 37 .............................. (lose) something.”

“You are sick, really sick, Tom.”

Jane, by the way, went to the dance alone, sad that she 38................................... (not be asked) by the most charming boy in her class.

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**key**

1 think 2 replied 3 was troubled

4 had been watching 5 was not 6 had joked

7 picked up 8 had dropped 9 had just looked

10 says 11 does not want to go 12 does want to go

13 did want to go 14 asked 15 would laugh

16 would not be able 17 ask 18 will at least be

19 had never talked 20 would not be 21 were not

22 would not be 23 did talk 24 are

25 was not 26 were running 27 blushed

28 are 29 are going to be / will be 30 be

31 was 32 believe 33realizes

34 will feel 35 feel 36 feel

37 have lost 38 had never been asked