**“Mystery” : Worksheet 1**

**A Mystery”**

**“Something is very wrong,” says the detective.**

**“I know!” says Ms. Gervis. “It is wrong that someone has stolen from me!”**

**The detective looks around Ms. Gervis’ apartment. “That is not what I am talking about, Ma’am. What is wrong is that I do not understand how the robber got in an out.”**

**Ms. Gervis and the detective stand in silence. Ms. Gervis’ eyes are full of tears.**

**Her hands are shaking.**

**“The robber did not come through the window,” says the detective. “These windows have not been opened or shut in months.”**

**The detective looks at the fireplace. “The robber did not squeeze down here.”**

**The detective walks to the front door. He examines the latch. “And since there are no marks or scratches, the robber definitely did not try to break the lock.”**

**“I have no idea how he did it,” says a bothered Ms. Gervis. “It is a big mystery.”**

**“And you say the robber stole nothing else?” asks the detective. “No money, no jewelry, no crystal?”**

**“That’s right, detective. He took only what was important to me,” Ms. Gervis says with a sigh. “There is only one thing I can do now.”**

**“And what is that?” the detective asks with surprise.**

**“I will stop baking cakes,” Ms. Gervis says. “They are mine to give away. They are not for someone to steal.”**

**“You can’t do that!” says the detective with alarm. “Who will bake those delicious cakes?”**

**“I am sorry. I do not know,” says Ms. Gervis.**

**“I must solve this case immediately!” says the detective**

1. **Where does this story take place?**
2. **In a bakery b. at the police station**
3. **c. in Ms. Gervis’ house d. in Ms. Gervis’ apartment**
4. **What makes the detective sure that the robber did not come through the windows?**
5. **The windows are locked**
6. **The windows face the police station**
7. **The windows have not been used in months**
8. **The windows are too small for a person to fit through**
9. **“And the robber definitely did not use the front door.” Which is the best way to rewrite this sentence?**
10. **“And the robber may not have used the front door.”**
11. **“And the robber probably did not use the front door.”**
12. **“And the robber was not able to use the front door.”**
13. **“And the robber certainly did not use the front door.”**
14. **What does Ms. Gervis do with her cakes?**
15. **She eats them. B. She sells them.**
16. **C. She hides them. D. She gives them away.**
17. **What is a mystery?**
18. **Something that is wrong**
19. **Something that happens at night**
20. **Something a robber leaves behind**
21. **Something that cannot be explained**

**Discuss your answers in pairs.**