

Diana

Diana had been hoping to get away by 5:00, so she could be at the farm in time for dinner. She tried not to show her true feelings when at 4:37 her deputy, Phil Haskings, presented her with a complex twelve-page document that 30 _____ the signature of a director before it could be sent out to the client. Haskins didn't hesitate to 31 _____ her that they had lost two similar contracts that week.

To 32 _____ the truth, it was always the same on a Friday. The phones would go quiet in the middle of the afternoon and then, just as she thought she could leave, a new document would land on her desk. Diana looked at the document and knew there would be no chance of escaping before 6:00.

Diana adored her children. At first 33 _____ she looked happy. The demands of being a single parent as well as a director of a small but thriving City company meant there were 34 _____ moments left in any day to relax. When it came to the one weekend in four that James and Caroline spent with her ex-husband, Diana would try to leave the office a little earlier than usual to avoid the weekend traffic.

She read through the first page slowly, aware that any mistake 35 _____ hastily on a Friday evening could be 36 _____ in the weeks to come. She glanced at the clock on her desk as she signed the final page of the document. It was just showing 5:51.

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- 1) talk
- 2) tell
- 3) say
- 4) speak