

A bad day

My day was a nightmare! I had a job interview this morning but I forgot to set the alarm clock. I overslept and couldn't have a shower or breakfast. I went to the garage putting on my shoes and setting my hair at the same time.

The car wouldn't start, and I was only able to make it work at the third time I tried. The traffic was awful and I arrived at the parking garage 5 minutes before the interview. Luckily I found a spot, but a guy in a red Mercedes tried to take it. I cut him off and managed to put my car there and - of course - he didn't like it, he complained not in a nice way and I had to tell him what I think of people like him.

I was quarreling with the jerk when I slammed my finger in the car door, and I was so nervous that I didn't notice the keys were still in the car and locked it.

I didn't have time to deal with it at that moment, so I rushed to arrive for the interview on time and guess who the interviewer was: the guy I met at the parking garage!

I wish I hadn't gotten up today.



Explain the title.

Do you believe bad things always happen together? Why do you think so?

Have you ever had a day like that? Tell how it was.

Have you heard about "Murphy's laws"? What are they about?

Number the bad things that happened to the woman:

What would you do if you were in the woman's place?

What would you have done differently? Why?

How would you feel after a day like that?

Rewrite the woman's story. This time she'll have a nice day. If she had started her day differently, how would things go?

My day was perfect! _____

Answer a few questions about your opinions and try to write complete answers:

Do you agree that when a day starts in a bad manner, everything tends to go wrong? Why (not)? _____

If you had a job interview the next day, what kind of things would you do in order to avoid problems that morning? _____

When was the last time you had a really bad day? What happened to make you think it was really bad? _____

About the text: do you think the bad occurrences were (the whole or partly) the woman's fault? Why(not)? _____

Do you believe in good and bad luck? Why? _____

What can a person do if s/he realizes everything s/he does is going wrong? _____

Could you give her some advice? _____

Do you believe a person contributes to his / her day going wrongly? How? _____

