A Common Story

Number of players: 1 or 2
What you need: pencil and paper

How to play:

▶ Alone or with a partner, make a list of two proper nouns and two common nouns on a piece of paper. Choose from below or make a list of your own.

- turkey  - bicycle  - banana  - tree  - Maria
- lamp  - basketball  - shark  - John  - book
- boat  - house  - Mr. Smith  - George Washington

▶ Put the words in this order:

1. proper noun, person
2. noun
3. new proper noun, person
4. same proper noun as 1
5. same proper noun as 3
6. new noun
7. same proper noun as 3
8. same noun as 2
9. same noun as 2
10. same noun as 6
11. same proper noun as 1
12. same proper noun as 3
13. same noun as 6

▶ Now look on the back, and fill in the blanks on a piece of paper using your words that match the numbers. Read the story you’ve helped write. Try again with a different set of words.
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1. _______ gave a
2. _______ to
3. _______.
4. _______ didn’t think that
5. _______ would like a
6. _______.
7. _______ took the
8. _______ back to the
9. _______ store and got a
10. _______ with the money.
11. _______ should have given
12. _______ a
13. _______ instead.