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b. Many children have parties on their birthdays.
c. We had a great time at the lake last weekend.

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b. Giving a dog a bath is a complete waste of water.
c. Friday is the best day of the week.

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