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3. when he brought a pig to school _____

4. when Sandy forgot her phone _____

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I need to start working in order to complete the project on time.
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