

# A FORGOTTEN DREAM

A- Look at the pictures and guess what the story might be about



B- Read the story. Were your predictions correct?

Jim **couldn't stand** his job. All he did all day was sit at his desk and pretended to work while watching **the heavy rain** outside his window. He **was meant to be** selling insurance on the phone, but he wasn't very good at it. In fact, he had sold **very few** contracts. This was because all he had ever wanted to do was be an actor in Hollywood. He had loved acting when he was a teenager, but **instead of going** to America he studied Business and he **put off looking** for fame. "I'll **look into** that when I have finished Uni" he said to himself. This was his biggest regret in life. On his way into work that day, his 15-year-old car **broke down**. Standing in the rain trying to change the tire he **made up his mind**. He **wasn't going to carry on** like this. He was going to make a big change...

C- Propose a definition for all the highlighted expressions

D- Answer the questions in groups.

1. What is Jim's big dream?
2. Why do you think Jim didn't decide to become an actor after Uni?
3. What do you think makes him change his mind?
4. What big change do you think he is going to make?
5. What will happen at the end of the story?

E- Continue the story. You may use these questions to help you.

- What does he decide to do next?
- How will he change his life?
- What does he do to help him realize his dreams?

F- you have received a story: write the end. You may use these questions to help you.

- Does he finally reach his goals?
- How does he feel about his situation?
- Does he ever think about his old life?

G- Vote for the best story