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(have) it for over ten years.
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(already see) it twice - so we said "no" and we went to a restaurant instead!
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(work) for over two hours on the new project and I felt really guilty.
6. The kitchen was full of steam when we arrived. Joan was in the kitchen and she _____
(cook) a huge meal for everyone at the party.
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(cry) before we got there.
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