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3. Our team lost on Saturday. _____
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5. We practice on Wednesday night. _____
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7. Many people attended the game. _____
8. Jack passed to Zach. _____
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Answers: Student's additional words will vary. Examples of correct answers:

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