Three days ago, on Saturday evening ...

The murder of the Lord Smithfield shocked all the people in the village. His wife Lady Grace was devastated. Fortunately, the Duke of Rutherford was there to comfort her. This good Duke...a mysterious character, really of a tremendous support, a beautiful dark-haired, with whisky-coloured eyes, he was a close friend to the poor widow.

One day, six months earlier...

Lady Grace was bored of her life and decided to change her mind with a little walk... She was walking alone in a big park, when, an elegant man pushed her aside. Surprised, she gave a small suffocated scream. The tall gentleman turned around and hastened to help the lady in distress. He caught her delicately by the arm and asked:

_ "I'm so sorry! Are you alright?"

Lady Grace looked gave him a first look, rather annoyed⁵, but, she remained speechless⁶, when, she saw the man in front of her. He was of an incredible beauty. She tried to pull herself together⁷, unsuccessfully and she stuttered⁸:

"Hum... Yes, I am! There isn't any problem!"

And some time later, she was smiling at him and they were quietly discussing on a bench. That's how the Duke and Lady Grace met. But, let's go back to business...!

Lord Smithfield didn't like the idea that his wife got away from him, then, he charged somebody to spy on her, and what he was going to discover him would drive him mad!

One week ago ...

Lady Grace came back from her walk, with her new friend, the Duke of Rutherford. He had been invited to stay in the castle for a while. His room was not very far from the bedroom of the Lord and "Grace". In the middle of the night, the Duke woke up because he heard a strange noise. He decided go to see what was going on... Oh my god! Once in front of the room next door, he saw Lord Smithfield strangling his wife! The courageous Duke hastened 9to save Grace.

Today...

Lady Grace was crying the death of her husband. An investigation was opened, but, the culprit was never found, and, finally, we gave up.

Nine months later ...

The Duchess Grace to Rutherford was giving birth to the Duke. It was a little boy

- 1 Par chance
- 2 Un énorme support
- 3 La pauvre veuve
- 4 Étouffé
- 5 Plutôt contrariée
- 6 Elle resta sans voix
- 7 Reprendre ses esprits
- 8 Elle bégaya
- 9 Accourut