1. Rewrite each sentence so that the verbal group is reformulated as a nominal group. Follow the model in the example.

The average price in London fell slightly. » *There was a slight fall in the average price in London.*

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| a. | Sales have risen steadily over the last few months.  There has been a steady rise in sales over the last few months. |
| b. | Crime has fallen significantly over the past 10 years.  There has been a significant fall in crime over the past 10 years. |
| c. | Business investment grew rapidly in the first quarter.  There was rapid growth in business investment in the first quarter.  There was a rapid growth in business investment in the first quarter. |
| d. | Interest rates were raised suddenly by 1%.  There was a sudden rise of 1% in interest rates.  There was a sudden rise in interest rates of 1%. |
| e. | Demand for hybrid cars surged abruptly from 2301 in March 2017 to almost 4000 in June 2018.  There was an abrupt surge in demand for hybrid cars from 2301 in March 2017 to almost 4000 in June 2018. |
| f. | The report showed that the number of economic migrants dipped temporarily in July.  The report showed a temporary dip in the number of economic migrants in July.  The report showed that there had been a temporary dip in economic migrants in July. |
| g. | According to government figures, exports declined slowly over the course of the year.  According to government figures, there was a slow decline in exports over the course of the year. |
| h. | BP’s share price slumped dramatically after the Deep Water Horizon oil spill.  There was a dramatic slump in BP’s share price after the Deep Water Horizon oil spill. |

1. Rewrite each sentence so that the nominal group is reformulated as a clause. Follow the model in the example.

There was an abrupt spike in interest in electric cars following Tesla’s announcement that it had invested $500 bn in R&D. » *Interest in electric cars spiked abruptly following Tesla’s announcement* *that it had invested $500 bn in R&D.*

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| a. | The trade body noted there had been a moderate decline in total new car sales in the previous May.  The trade body noted that total new car sales had declined moderately in the previous May. |
| b. | The graph shows a steady increase in iPod sales.  The graph shows that iPod sales have increased steadily.  The graph shows that iPod sales have steadily increased. |
| c. | There was a slight dip in carbon emissions following the COP 23 climate summit.  Carbon emissions dipped slightly following the COP 23 climate summit. |
| d. | The government announced that there had been a sudden fall in employment.  The government announced that employment had fallen suddenly. |
| e. | Key figures showed an unexpected drop in US oil supplies.  Key figures showed that US oil supplies dropped unexpectedly. |
| f. | We have seen a dramatic rise in volunteers.  The number of volunteers has risen dramatically.  The number of volunteers has dramatically risen. |
| g. | According to official figures, there was a sudden surge in consumption in the third quarter.  According to official figures, consumption suddenly surged in the third quarter. |
| h. | There has been a sharp increase in productivity since the new management took over.  Productivity has increased sharply since the new management took over. |