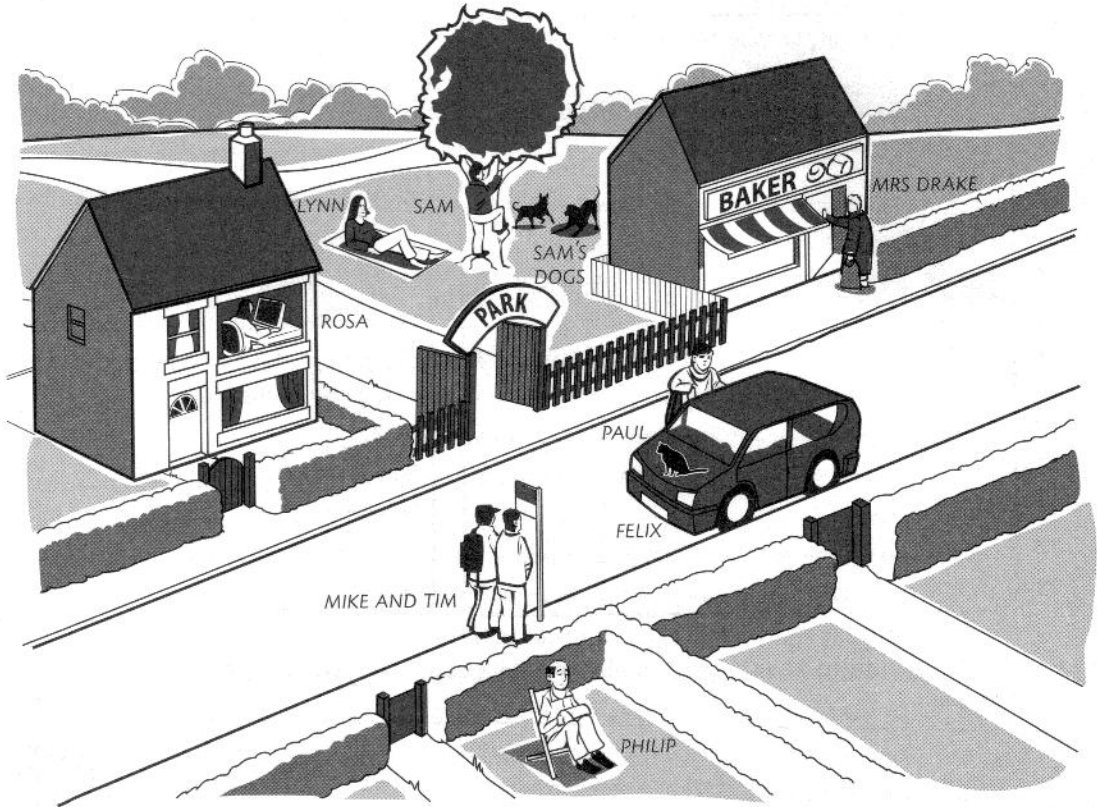


I was doing and I did

(past continuous and past simple)

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Look at the picture. This was Rosamund Street at 10.30 yesterday morning. What was happening? Where was it happening? Write sentences. Use the past continuous.



At 10.30 yesterday morning

- 1 Rosa was working in her room.
- 2 Sam
- 3 Sam's dogs
- 4 Lynn
- 5 Mrs Drake
- 6 Philip
- 7 Mike and Tim
- 8 Felix
- 9 Paul



What about you? What were you doing yesterday at these times? Use the past continuous.

- 10 10.30 in the morning At 10.30 in the morning I
- 11 12.30
- 12 6.15 in the evening
- 13 8.30 in the evening
- 14 midnight

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Complete the conversations. Use **was/were**, the past simple (**did** etc.) or the past continuous (**was doing** etc.).

- 1 POLICE OFFICER: What *were you doing* (you / do) when the accident *happened* (happen)?
COLIN: I *was* at the bus stop. I *was waiting* (wait) for a bus.
POLICE OFFICER: (you / see) the accident?
COLIN: No, because I (read) the newspaper.
- 2 NICOLA: I (phone) you at 9 o'clock last night, but you were not at home.
MARTIN: 9 o'clock? I (sit) in a café, (drink) hot chocolate.
NICOLA: Jane with you?
MARTIN: No, she (work) in the library.
NICOLA: Where (you / go) after the café?
MARTIN: I (go) home.
- 3 MUM: Oh no! My beautiful cup! What happened?
ANGIE: I'm really sorry, Mum. I (break) it when I (wash) it.
MUM: How?
ANGIE: My hands wet and I (drop) it on the floor.
- 4 SOPHIE: (you / think) yesterday's exam difficult?
EDDIE: No, not really, but I (not / write) very much.
SOPHIE: Why not?
EDDIE: Because I (dream) about my holidays.
- 5 ANDREW: There a crash outside my house yesterday.
MAGGIE: What (happen)?
ANDREW: I don't know. It (rain), but the two drivers (not / go) too fast.
MAGGIE: they hurt?
ANDREW: One man (break) his arm and the other man (cut) his hand.
- 6 TRACEY: Pardon? I didn't hear you. Could you say that again, please?
DAVE: I (not / talk) to you.
TRACEY: Who (you / talk) to?
DAVE: Sarah
TRACEY: Oh, sorry.

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At 10 o'clock yesterday morning, there was a robbery at the Midwest Bank. You are a police officer and you are asking Tim Smith some questions about what he was doing, what other people were doing, and what he saw. Write the questions. Use **was/were**, the past simple (**did you do** etc.) and the past continuous (**were you doing** etc.).



'Now then, Mr Smith, I know you saw the robbery yesterday. I would like to ask you some questions.

- 1 What / you / do / at 10 o'clock? What were you doing at 10 o'clock?
- 2 Where / Joan Turner?
- 3 What / Mrs Jones / do?
- 4 Where / Mrs Walters / go?
- 5 the robbers / carry / guns?
- 6 Where / the big car / wait?
- 7 driver / a man or a woman?
- 8 you / see / a man on the corner?
- 9 some men / repair / the road?
- 10 anyone / wait / at the bus stop?
- 11 you / phone / the police?

Thank you, Mr Smith. That was very helpful!

Now use Tim Smith's answers to complete this paragraph. Look at the picture to help you.

Mr Smith told me that at 10.05 yesterday morning he (12) *was outside the butcher's* Joan Turner (13) Mrs Jones (14) with her dog. Mrs Walters (15) The three robbers (16) guns. A big car (17) and the driver (18) A man (19) on the corner and the workmen (20) the road. Two children (21) at the bus stop. Mr Smith (22) the police on his mobile.