

Day 2

Exercise 1. *Simple Past / Past Continuous*

1. A: What (you, do) when the accident occurred?

B: I (try) to change a light bulb that had burnt out.

2. After I (find) the wallet full of money, I (go, immediately) to the police and (turn) it in.

3. The doctor (say) that Tom (be) too sick to go to work and that he (need) to stay at home for a couple of days.

4. Sebastian (arrive) at Susan's house a little before 9:00 pm, but she (be, not) there. She (study, at the library) for her final examination in French.

5. Sandy is in the living room watching television. At this time yesterday, she (watch, also) television. That's all she ever does!

6. A: I (call) you last night after dinner, but you (be, not) there. Where were you? B: I (work) out at the fitness center.

7. When I (walk) into the busy office, the secretary (talk) on the phone with a customer, several clerks (work, busily) at their desks, and two managers (discuss, quietly) methods to improve customer service.

8. I (watch) a mystery movie on T.V. when the electricity went out. Now I am never going to find out how the movie ends.

9. Sharon (be) in the room when John (tell) me what had happened, but she didn't hear anything because she (listen, not)

10. It's strange that you (call) because I (think, just) about you.
11. The Titanic (cross) the Atlantic when it (strike) an iceberg.
12. When I entered the bazaar, a couple of merchants (bargain, busily) and (try) to sell their goods to naive tourists who (hunt) for souvenirs. Some young boys (lead) their donkeys through the narrow streets on their way home. A couple of men (argue) over the price of a leather belt. I (walk) over to a man who (sell) fruit and (buy) a banana.
13. The firemen (rescue) the old woman who (be) trapped on the third floor of the burning building.
14. She was so annoying! She (leave, always) her dirty dishes in the sink. I think she (expect, actually) me to do them for her.
15. Samantha (live) in Berlin for more than two years. In fact, she (live) there when the Berlin wall came down.

Exercise 2. Read these sentences and make questions.

When I met him, he was talking on the telephone.

.....? (he | talk)

The company wanted to finish this house last week.

.....? (they | start)

I saw your wife last night. She was driving a car.

..... ? (she | drive)

I tried to get in touch with you last weekend.

.....? (you | want)

My sister was not listening when I wanted to tell her.

.....? (your sister | do)

When I came to his bedroom, he was snoring.

.....? (he | lie)

At 10 o'clock I was watching a documentary film.

.....? (you | watch)

I had an accident on Monday.

.....? (happen | you)

Exercise 3. Complete the story.

Everyday James Lullaby travels to London. Yesterday he

..... (drive) his car, when he (see) a dog

in the middle of the road. The dog (watch) the car. James

..... (stop) and (get) out of his car. As he

..... (get) out, the dog (run) away.

James (go) back to his car. While he

(get) in it, the dog (appear) again and

(sit) down in the middle of the road. James (start) the

engine, but the dog (not move). James

(jump) out of the car and (shout) at the dog. The dog

..... (bark) at him and (start) to run.

James (follow) the dog. Suddenly, he

(see) two girls lying on the grass. They .. (bleed).

Exercise 4. Make the policeman's questions.

Policeman:

.....?

(what/do/yesterday at 8 o'clock)

James: I was driving to work.

Policeman:

.....?

(what time/meet/the dog)

James: I saw him at about 8.30.

Policeman:

.....?

(drive/fast)

James: No, I wasn't.

Policeman:

.....?

(what/the dog/do)

James: He ran away.

Policeman:

.....?

(how/find/the two girls)

James: I followed the dog when he came back.

Policeman:

.....?

(see/anyone else)

James: No, I didn't.

Policeman:

.....?

(call/an ambulance)

James: No, I didn't. I drove the girls to the hospital.

Exercise 5. Find mistakes and correct them.

I was doing my homework first and then I had a rest.

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My mum was often driving when she was younger.

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While daddy didn't look, Susan put his key in her pocket.

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I needed to talk to her. And at 10 I was calling her.

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I saw you with Jill at the cafe. You talked.

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Your English is very good. Where were you studying?

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As they walked along the river, they saw something in the water.

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I was taking her to Dover. We had a great time.

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The weather was perfect when the sun was shining. But it was changing soon.

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When he met her, she wore a hat.

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