Musical Stories

Student A:

1. Read the story and put the verbs in brackets in the past continuous (*was doing*) or the past perfect (*had done*):
2. Check the answers with your teacher.
3. Read the story again and try to remember as many details as possible. Tell the story to B.

Nearly Famous!

This happened to me when I (1) _____ (*study*) at university in Coventry in 2009 and I (2) _____ (*play*) in a band with three other students. We were quite well known in the city and we were very ambitious. Our dream was to have a hit in the top 20.

In was a Saturday night and we (3) _____ (*play*) a concert in a pub in the city centre. The pub was full because all of our university friends (4) _____ (*come*) to see us.

We (5) _____ just _____ (*finish*) the first half of our concert and we (6) _____ (*have*) a break when suddenly our manager came and spoke to us. He told us that a very famous radio DJ (7) _____ just _____ (*arrive*) in the pub. He (8) _____ (*stand*) by himself in the corner of the bar. The manager said, "*This is your big chance, girls!*"

Ten minutes later we started the second half of the concert. We (9) _____ all _____ (*feel*) very nervous but we began playing the first song and we (10) _____ (*play*) it a hundred times before. But after a minute I realized that we (11) _____ (*play*) out of tune. It was dreadful!

We finished the song and I looked in the corner of the bar to see if I could see the DJ. He (12) _____ (*go*). I'm still playing in the same group, and we're still playing in pubs!