SIMPLE PAST, PAST CONTINUOUS, PAST PERFECT AND PAST PERFECT CONTINUOUS

The most embarrassing moment of my life (Richard, Sussex)

Part 1

When I was about nine years old I used to go to the cinema every Saturday morning - in those days it was very popular. After the film had finished, I would go to a toy shop and look at model planes and trains, and sometimes I bought them with the pocket money that I had been carefully saving. One day after the film, I went to a big department store to have a look at the model planes they had. I didn't buy anything, but as I was leaving a very large man grabbed my arm quite

The man said that he was a store detective. As I had been concentrating on the toys, I hadn't noticed that he had been watching me. He made me empty my pockets and he went through my coat, searching for stolen goods, even though I told him very clearly that I had only been looking. Of course he didn't find anything, but by this time several people had stopped to see what was happening. I felt very embarrassed and humiliated that so many people were looking at me, and I was very glad to violently and accused me of shoplifting. leave the shop when it was all over.



b Complete the second part of the story with the correct form of the verbs in brackets: past simple, past continuous, past perfect, or past perfect continuous.

Part 2

(ask) me abo	ut the film. I	then 3
(mention) that I +		(look) at toys in a
department s	store when a	store detective
5	_ (accuse) n	ne of shoplifting and
6	_ (search) n	ne in the middle of the shop
My father 7_		(make) me repeat what
I 8	(say), an	d then immediately
9	_ (jump up)	from the table. Without
either of us h	aving finish	ed our lunch, he
10	(make) m	ne get into the car. I
(1	(never se	e) my father so angry!
He 12	(drive) quickly to the store,
13	(park) ou	tside, and took me to
where the in	cident 14	(take place).
He then dem	anded to see	the manager and the



(come), my father 16_	(start) shouting
at him and he told hi	im that I 17
(never steal) anythin	ig in my life. He 18
(make) the manager	and store detective apologize
to me for having acc	used me of shoplifting and for
embarrassing me. Bu	() [[[[[[[[[[[[[[[[[[[
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embarrassing me. Bu (find) this scene ever	nt the thing is, I ¹⁹ n more embarrassing than