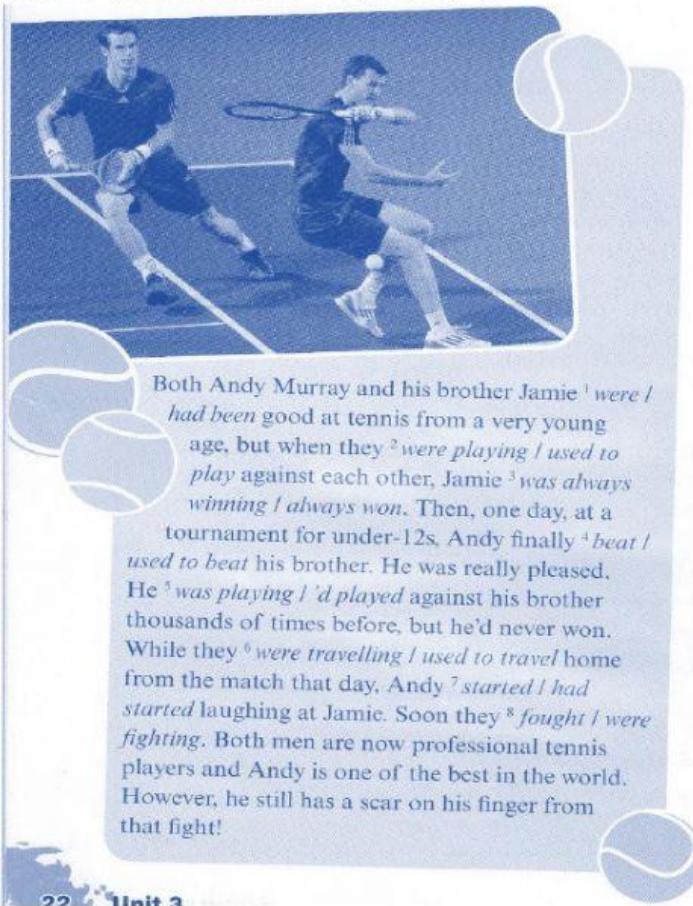


## Let's practise!

### A. READ THE TEXT AND CHOOSE THE CORRECT VERB FORMS.



Both Andy Murray and his brother Jamie <sup>1</sup> were / had been good at tennis from a very young age, but when they <sup>2</sup> were playing / used to play against each other, Jamie <sup>3</sup> was always winning / always won. Then, one day, at a tournament for under-12s, Andy finally <sup>4</sup> beat / used to beat his brother. He was really pleased. He <sup>5</sup> was playing / 'd played against his brother thousands of times before, but he'd never won. While they <sup>6</sup> were travelling / used to travel home from the match that day, Andy <sup>7</sup> started / had started laughing at Jamie. Soon they <sup>8</sup> fought / were fighting. Both men are now professional tennis players and Andy is one of the best in the world. However, he still has a scar on his finger from that fight!

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### B. COMPLETE THE STORIES WITH THE CORRECT FORM OF THE VERBS.

One day, my sister Daisy and I <sup>1</sup> ..... (play) in the living room when my mum came in. She was annoyed because my sister <sup>2</sup> ..... (wrote) on the walls in our bedroom. My sister <sup>3</sup> ..... (deny) doing it and <sup>4</sup> ..... (blame) me. But I was two and I <sup>5</sup> ..... (not know) how to write!

Once my brother <sup>6</sup> ..... (drop) his laptop while he <sup>7</sup> ..... (run) downstairs. Then he <sup>8</sup> ..... (claim) that he <sup>9</sup> ..... (trip) over the cat. He <sup>10</sup> ..... (lie), of course, and my parents <sup>11</sup> ..... (not believe) him. They were furious because they <sup>12</sup> ..... (buy) him the computer only a week before.