

1 Circle the correct verbs.

It was Monday morning and we were <sup>1</sup>*listening* / *listened* to a story in our Ancient History class. 'And then,' said Miss Kremer, who <sup>2</sup>*were* / *was* standing in front of the long window, 'Vesuvius erupted and the people of the beautiful city of ...' She stopped and turned her head. 'Miss Kremer,' said Martyn, 'is that the fire alarm?' It was. We left our bags in the room and followed our teacher to the emergency exit. Smoke was <sup>3</sup>*came* / *coming* up the corridor. Outside, we could see what <sup>4</sup>*was* / *were* happening. The Assembly Hall was on fire! Teachers <sup>5</sup>*were* / *was* running around. The fire fighters arrived really quickly and worked hard. They couldn't save the Assembly Hall, but the most important thing was that everyone was safe. For the next few days it was all we could talk about. 'What were you doing when you <sup>6</sup>*heard* / *hearing* the alarm?' we asked, excited to tell our stories again, all thoughts of Vesuvius and the people of Pompeii forgotten.