



Choose Past Simple / Past Continuous and complete the gaps. Then watch a video and check your answers.

- How _____ (be) your day, Julie?
- I _____ (have) an awful day. It _____ (seem) to be such a lovely day at the beginning. I _____ (sit) on the balcony, _____ (drink) a cup of coffee. The sun _____ (shine), someone _____ (play) a violin in the street and I _____ (enjoy) a beautiful afternoon. I _____ (feel) hungry, so I _____ (decide) to make spaghetti. But I _____ (realize) that I _____ (not have) any tomato sauce. So I _____ (go) to the grocery store to buy some. After buying a few items I finally _____ (find) the tomato sauce. I _____ (read) the label, when the jar _____ (slip) out of my hands and _____ (fall) down. There _____ (be) glass and red sauce all over the floor and _____ (splatter) all over my shoes. I _____ (look) around and _____ (notice) that everyone _____ (stare) at me. People

_____ (smile) and _____ (**whisper**) to each other. Soon I _____ (notice) that I _____ (leave) a **trail** of red **footprints** through the store. I _____ (find) a grocery store worker and let him know what I had just done. I _____ (offer) to help clean it up, but he _____ (**decline**). I _____ (be) so **embarrassed** that I _____ even _____ (look) where I _____ (go) and I _____ (**knock**) over a **display** of chips. I _____ just _____ (**stand**) there in shock. A manager _____ (walk) by me at that moment and _____ (notice) the mess that I had just made. I _____ (expect) her to be angry but she _____ (not be). She _____ (say) that they would take care of everything. She _____ (smile). Maybe she _____ (think) about how **clumsy** I was.

- Oh, I'm sorry **you had to go through** this. It was just a bad day.
- And **there's more!** While I _____ (wait) to pay at the checkout, I _____ (realize) I _____ (forget) my wallet home. I was **mortified**.
- Oh no! So what _____ you _____ (do)?
- I _____ (apologize) and _____ (leave) all my shopping there.
- Maybe you are too tired and **stressed out**. You should **take a few days off from work** and get some rest.
- Yeah, you're right. You know, I _____ (call) you yesterday at about 8 p.m. but you _____ (not answer). What _____ you _____ (do)?
- **You'll never guess what happened yesterday evening!** I _____ (sit) in the living-room, _____ (watch) TV when suddenly I _____ (feel) a strong smell of smoke. It

_____ (come) from the corridor outside our apartment. I
 _____ (open) the door and _____ (see) smoke at the end of
 the corridor. Mrs Brown lives there. I _____ (grab) the fire
 extinguisher and _____ (run) towards her apartment. I
 _____ (open) the door and there _____ (be) a big fire. The
 flames _____ (spread) quickly. I _____ (put) out the fire
 as fast as I could. Then I _____ (see) Mrs Brown in the living room.
 She _____ (lie) down on the floor. She
 _____ (scream) for help. She
 _____ (bleed). I _____ (call) the ambulance
 right away.

- Oh poor Mrs Brown! Is she ok now?
- Yes, luckily she's fine.
- But what _____ (happen)?
- It seems that the fire was started by some candles that _____
 (burn) in the living room. Mrs Brown _____ (doze) off when the
 fire _____ (start). She _____ (wake) up and while
 she _____ (try) to put out the fire, she _____
 (fall) down and _____ (break) her arm.
- She's really lucky to be alive, thanks to you! You're a real hero! And where
 were you, Isabel, when all that _____ (happen)? What _____
 you _____ (do)?
- I _____ (take) a shower. So I _____ (not
 notice) anything. But when I _____ (come) out of the
 bathroom, I _____ (feel) the smell of smoke and _____
 (know) something _____ (go) on. And I soon
 _____ (find) out everything.

- I'm glad things turned out fine in the end.





