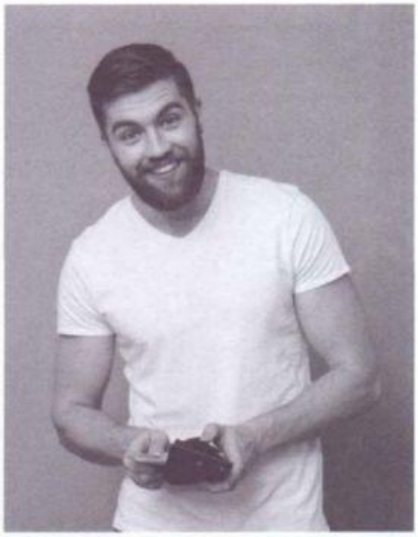
Telling stories | Narrative Tenses

Grammar

1 **Choose the correct words or phrases to complete the text.**

My brother Nick and I [1]... dinner one evening when suddenly the doorbell rang. When I answered the door, a police officer [2]... there. He [3]... to speak to my brother Nick. I went inside and told Nick. He [4]... eating and went to the door. The police officer told Nick a woman [5]... his wallet earlier that morning, and she [6]... it to the police station. Of course, Nick was very pleased, but he [7]... it was missing. Later, Nick [8]... the woman who found his wallet to thank her.



1 **a** had **b** were having **c** have
2 **a** stand **b** standing **c** was standing
3 **a** was asking **b** asked **c** had asked
4 **a** was stopping **b** stop **c** stopped
5 **a** find **b** finding **c** had found
6 **a** had taken **b** was taking **c** take
7 **a** didn't realize **b** was not realizing **c** hadn't realized
8 **a** was calling **b** called **c** had called

2 **Complete the sentences with the words or phrases in the box.**

hadn't done	hadn't got	fell	was watching	called	had left

1 I was doing my homework when I _____ asleep.
2 My roommates were angry because I _____ my chores.
3 She couldn't find her cell phone. She _____ it in the library.
4 I _____ TV while my friends did the dishes.
5 Andy _____ back from the store when his girlfriend turned up.
6 Who _____ while I was out?

3 **Complete the text with the correct forms of the verbs in parentheses.**

One day I [1] _____ (sit) in the park eating my lunch, when suddenly I [2] _____ (hear) someone shouting. A boy on a bicycle [3] _____ (ride) by very fast and a woman was running after him. She [4] _____ (shout) at him to stop. Then she [5] _____ (tell) us that the boy [6] _____ (steal) her bag.

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