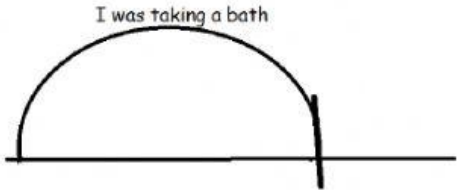
"I was taking a bath"
Past Continuous v Simple Past

**We use the past continuous for longer actions in the past (was/were plus verb +ing.)
**We use the past simple for complete actions in the past (verb+ed or irregular form)
**Look at the diagram which shows a longer action that was interrupted by a short one.







Read the lyrics to the song and choose the correct form of the verb.

Splish Splash! I ***was taking / took*** *a bath, long about Saturday night.*

Rub-a-Dub, just ***relaxing / relaxed*** *in the tub,* ***thinking / thought*** *everything was all right.*

Well, I ***was stepping / stepped*** *out of the tub,* ***was putting / put*** *my feet on the floor,*

Was wrapping / wrapped *a towel around me and I* ***was opening / opened*** *the door.*

Then, SPLISH SPLASH, I ***was jumping / jumped*** *back in the bath.*

How was I to know there was a party ***going on / went on****?*

Bing bag, I ***was seeing / saw*** *the whole gang* ***dancing /danced*** *on my living rug, yea!*

Flip flip, They ***were doing / did*** *the bop all the teens had the dancing bug*

There was Lollipop with Peggy Sue; Good Golly, Miss Molly was even there, too!

Well, Splish Splash I ***was forgetting / forgot*** *about the bath.*

I ***was going / went*** *and* ***was putting / put*** *my dancing shoes on*

