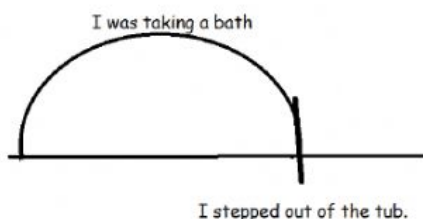


"I was taking a bath"

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

