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Several things went wrong yesterday. Match the beginning of the sentences to the most suitable end and find out what happened.

⇒ Nick was walking to school

- 1 Mrs Bell was hanging the clothes on the line
- 2 Jenny was painting a picture
- 3 Mr Bell was driving to the station
- 4 Mrs Bell was cooking dinner
- 5 Nick and Tom were playing football
- 6 Mr Bell was going up to the fifth floor
- 7 The children were watching television
- 8 Nick and Jenny were having a picnic

she spilled the paint.
he dropped his bag.
it started to rain.
their ball broke a window.
the lift stopped.
his car broke down.
the lights went out.
the washing line broke.
she cut her finger.

What were Jenny's friends doing when the accidents happened? Complete the sentences with the past simple or the past continuous.

1. I (help) my mother in the kitchen when I (burn) my hand.

2. My sister (make) sandwiches for the picnic when she (cut) her finger.

3. When I was playing with Adam's dog, it (bite) my leg.

4. My friends (ride) their bikes in the park when Mike (break) his arm.

5. Maria and I (watch) a football game when the ball (hit) me on the head.