

Read the text and then match each one of the tips to a sentence from the story.

A STUDY IN YELLOW

(A) It was snowing heavily but people were not wearing coats. Nobody was expecting snow at that time of the year. (B) Everyone was looking up at the sky while a woman was falling elegantly, her bright yellow parachute looking like a giant sunflower.

(C) The woman landed in the middle of the road, folded the parachute and started to walk slowly towards her jeep.

(D) She had never landed in the middle of the city before, it was a risky business. She was almost getting to the car when (E) she heard the sirens – the police. She left the parachute behind – too heavy – and ran.

When (F) she was driving away, she saw three teenage girls dragging the parachute inside the garage of an old house. She got angry and yelled at them: "What do you think you're doing?" But there was no answer.

TIPS

1. Use the Past Simple to present events in a chronological sequence.
2. Use the Past Simple in the middle of another action in progress (sometimes interrupting it).
3. Use the Past Continuous to present an action in progress in the past (sometimes interrupted by another action in the past).
4. Use the Past Continuous to describe two actions happening simultaneously.
5. Use the Past Continuous to set the scene of a story.
6. Use the Past Perfect to talk about a past action that happened before another action in the past.