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Lesson 19 / "Lately"

goals
sentences with as if;
participle I - spelling
adjectives wit ing or ed
adverbs
future in the past

1 Watch, listen and enjoy.

"Lately"

In the fog lights
There was tear gas floating through the twilight
And he wondered what life would be like
With a giant screen TV
A fridge full of a beer and a conscience that's clean

You see, lately
She'd been thinking 'bout her little tiny baby
And the boy who had gone to defend me
She's a good friend of mine
But I can't take the place of her man anytime

And it won't be long
'Til he's coming home

You gotta bring your soldier home
All those stones have all been thrown
You gotta give a kid a chance to get a look at his kid
And hope he can live with whatever he did

Now, meanwhile
He was reading magazines on the front line
He was trying not to think about her life
And what he might have done
'Cause it seemed like none of them were having any fun

You see lately
She'd been acting kinda crazy
Lately
Oh man, I thought she was gonna hate me
'Cause I couldn't watch the little one
I had so much to do
I was so high-strung

And it won't be long
'Til Daddy's home

You gotta bring your soldier home
All those stones have all been thrown
You gotta give a kid a chance to get a look at his kid
And hope he can live with whatever he did

Lately
All the hate escapes me
Lately
All the hate just escapes me
Lately

So he phoned her
He said "Darling I'm feeling so alone here
Am I making myself perfectly clear?
That I'm on my way back
Just a couple more missions and I'll start getting packed"

You gotta bring your soldier home
All those stones have all been thrown
You gotta give a kid a chance to get a look at his kid
And hope he can live with whatever he did

Lately
I was wondering if she'd heard from him lately

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2 Listen and read, type out the subjects.

In the fog lights there was tear gas floating through the twilight
And he wondered what life would be like with
a giant screen TV, a fridge full of a beer and a conscience that's clean

3 Listen and read. Order the sentence.

tiny little baby lately she'd been thinking 'bout You see

And the boy who had gone to defend me
She's a good friend of mine
But I can't take the place of her man anytime
And it won't be long 'til he's coming home

4 Listen and read.

You gotta bring your soldier home
All those stones have all been thrown
You gotta give a kid a chance to get a look at his kid
And hope he can live with whatever he did

5 Listen and read. Order the sentence.

Now, meanwhile
on the front line, he was reading magazines

He was trying not to think about her life
And what he might have done
'Cause it seemed like none of them were having any fun

6 Listen and read. Order the sentence.

lately kinda crazy she'd been acting You see

Lately
Oh man, I thought she was gonna hate me
'Cause I couldn't watch the little one
I had so much to do
I was so high-strung
And it won't be long 'til Daddy's home

7 Listen and read. Choose which tense is in the sentence.

So he phoned her, he said	Past Simple	Present Simple	Future Simple	Present Continuous
«Darling I'm feeling so alone here	Past Simple	Present Simple	Future Simple	Present Continuous
Am I making myself perfectly clear?	Past Simple	Present Simple	Future Simple	Present Continuous
That I'm on my way back	Past Simple	Present Simple	Future Simple	Present Continuous
Just a couple more missions and I'll start getting packed"	Past Simple	Present Simple	Future Simple	Present Continuous

8 Match the words (1-10) with their meanings (a-j)

9 Then read the words and the definitions out loud

To protect someone or something from harm or attack.

Very big in size.

fog light

tear gas

to float

giant

conscience

lately

tiny

to defend

to get a look at

meanwhile

The feeling inside you that tells you if something is right or wrong.

Very small in size.

To stay on the surface of water without sinking.

To see or observe something or someone.

The time that has just passed, especially the recent past.

At the same time, but in a different place or situation.

A substance that causes people's eyes to water and makes them cough, used by police or military in protests to control crowds.

A light on a car used when it's foggy to help drivers see better.

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