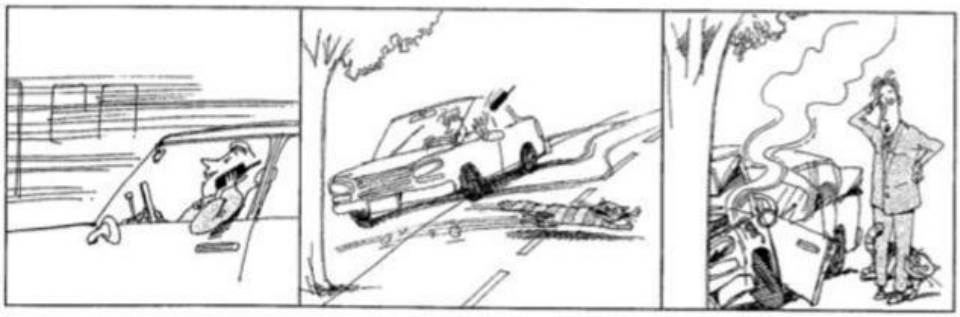
GRAMMAR BOOSTER

A **Complete each sentence in your own way. Use the past continuous or the simple past tense.**

1. They were having dinner when _____.
2. While _____, it started to rain.
3. While Marie was watching TV, her husband _____.
4. When _____, I was leaving my office.
5. He had an accident while _____.

B **CHALLENGE. Look at the pictures. On a separate sheet of paper, write a story about what happened using the words and phrases in the boxes.**



drive talk on cell phone not pay attention	run in front of stop	hit hurt damage

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C **Put the words in order and write sentences. If a sentence can be written in two ways, write it both ways.**

1. dropped / Margo / off / the car

   Margo dropped off the car. OR Margo dropped the car off.

2. up / it / Sam / picked

3. the tank / filled / I / up

4. can't / turn / on / Sue / the headlights

5. turn / off / I / can't / them

6. like / He'd / it / to / drop / off / at noon

7. I / to / need / up / it / fill

8. picked / the car / William / up / has

D **Label each underlined noun either common or proper. Then rewrite each sentence, replacing the underlined noun with a subject or object pronoun.**

1. common
   The car door is making a funny sound.

   It is making a funny sound.

2. Mr. Lee rented the convertible.

3. The mechanic replaced the taillight.

4. Alex already called Econo-Car.

5. The Amigo minivan hit the tree.

6. My sister will drop off the keys.

7. Mrs. Lane is going to pick up her son at 5:00.

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WRITING BOOSTER

A **Insert commas where necessary in the following sentences.**

1. You need a driver's license and a credit card to rent a car.
2. The car rental charge included a drop-off fee a fill-up fee and an airport surcharge.
3. You should shop around for the best price and make a reservation.
4. Adjust your seat mirrors and the radio.
5. Locate the controls for the lights and turn signals.

B **Combine each pair of sentences into one sentence consisting of two independent clauses. Use and.**

1. The driver wasn't paying attention. He hit the car in front of him.

   _____

2. It's raining. The sunroof won't close.

   _____

3. Lucy has five kids. She drives a minivan.

   _____

4. The GPS isn't working. We're lost.

   _____

C **Complete the statements. Look back at the article in Exercise 14 for ideas. Add commas.**

1. Many areas of the U.S. don't have good public transportation. Therefore _____

   _____

2. Car rental rates change frequently. Therefore _____

   _____

3. To find a good rate, check travel and car rental agency websites. In addition _____

   _____

4. Return your rental car with a full tank of gas. If you don't, you'll pay double the regular price for gas. In addition _____

   _____

5. Most states have seat belt laws. Therefore _____

   _____

6. Small children must sit in the back seat. In addition _____

   _____

D **On a separate sheet of paper, write about your driving or a friend or family member's driving. Include good and bad driving behaviors.**

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