

Reading

- 9 Read the beginning (a) and ending (b) of a story, and put the verbs in brackets into the past simple or past continuous, then answer the questions.
- a It 1) (**be**) a dull Sunday morning and a cold wind 2) (**blow**) down the empty High Street. Tom Ridley 3) (**walk**) to the newsagent's to buy his Sunday paper when he 4) (**hear**) a strange noise. Tom 5) (**stop**) and 6) (**look**) up and down the street, then he 7) (**realise**) that the noise 8) (**come**) from behind the heavy iron door of the museum.
- b After the police 9) (**arrest**) the robbers, the owner of the museum 10) (**turn**) towards Tom. "Please accept this with my thanks," she 11) (**say**), and 12) (**hand**) Tom a cheque for £500. Tom 13) (**look**) at the cheque and 14) (**smile**) happily. "You're very, very welcome," he 15) (**reply**).