

Past Simple and Past Continuous

Choose the correct option

Young hero

One evening, 10-year-old Marc *did* / *was doing* his homework when he ¹ *noticed* / *was noticing* the house across the street ² *was* / *was being* on fire. His father, Eddy, ³ *helped* / *was helping* with a particularly difficult exercise at the time and when Marc ⁴ *told* / *was telling* him what he could see, they both ⁵ *ran* / *were running* across the street to help. The mother and father who ⁶ *lived* / *were living* in the house ⁷ *stood* / *were standing* outside, but their 10-year-old son ⁸ *was* / *was being* upstairs in his bedroom. The fire ⁹ *got* / *was getting* worse. Eddy ¹⁰ *got* / *was getting* a ladder and while he ¹¹ *held* / *was holding* it, Marc ¹² *went* / *was going* up, ¹³ *broke* / *was breaking* the bedroom window and ¹⁴ *helped* / *was helping* the boy down to safety. Eddy is very proud of what Marc ¹⁵ *did* / *was doing*. After the fire, everyone ¹⁶ *said* / *was saying*, 'I think he's a real hero!'