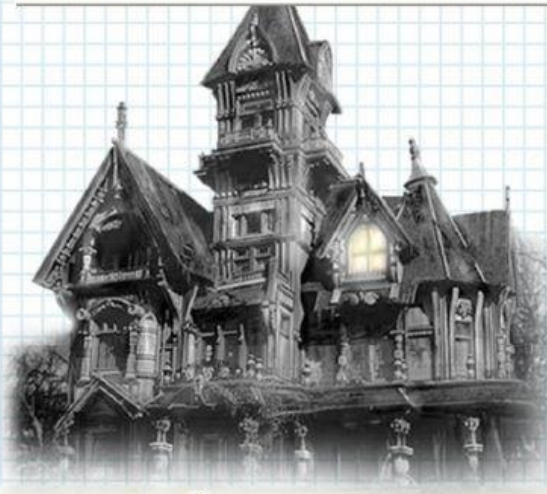


Writing Skills

Complete this detective story using Past Simple and Past continuous verbs in the numbered gaps (1-27) and *while* or *when* in the lettered gaps (a-h). Follow the examples.



I ¹⁾ was sleeping (sleep) deeply ^{a)} when the alarm clock ²⁾ _____ (ring). It ³⁾ _____ (be) only 6 a.m., so I ⁴⁾ _____ (go back) to sleep. ^{b)} _____ I ⁵⁾ _____ (wake up) again, it was 9.25. I ⁶⁾ _____ (jump) quickly out of bed.

The phone ⁷⁾ _____ (ring) ^{c)} _____ I ⁸⁾ _____ (have) a shower. I ⁹⁾ _____ (let) it ring. Eventually it ¹⁰⁾ _____ (stop). Then it rang again ^{d)} _____ I ¹¹⁾ _____ (make) a cup of coffee. ^{e)} _____ I ¹²⁾ _____ (answer) it, a woman's voice ¹³⁾ _____ (say), "You've got to help me. Come to 12, Sutton Place as soon as you can. I'll pay you anything".

I ¹⁴⁾ _____ (jump) into the car. ^{f)} _____ I ¹⁵⁾ _____ (arrive) at Sutton Place, I ¹⁶⁾ _____ (have) a feeling that somebody ¹⁷⁾ _____ (watch) me. I ¹⁸⁾ _____ (get) out of the car and ¹⁹⁾ _____ (go) towards Number 12. ^{g)} _____ I ²⁰⁾ _____ (walk) to the door, I ²¹⁾ _____ (can) hear voices in an upstairs room. But ^{h)} _____ I ²²⁾ _____ (knock) at the door, they ²³⁾ _____ (stop). The door ²⁴⁾ _____ (be) open so I ²⁵⁾ _____ (decide) to go in. The door ²⁶⁾ _____ (close) suddenly. Somebody ²⁷⁾ _____ (stand) behind me...