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What happened?



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- **Goal:** describe past experiences
- **Grammar:** past simple and past continuous
- **Vocabulary:** describing feelings and events



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B

Vocabulary

1 Look at the photos and discuss the questions.

- 1 What do you think is happening in each photo?
- 2 How do you think the people are feeling? Which of the adjectives in the box would you use to describe them?

amazed annoyed disappointed embarrassed
frightened relaxed surprised tired worried

2 a Read the comments below and match them with three of the photos.

- 1 'The other day I met an old friend for the first time in years. It was such a **surprising** meeting! We were **amazed** and excited to see each other again.'
- 2 'Yesterday was a really **annoying** day. I borrowed my wife's car and got a parking ticket. She was very **annoyed** with me.'
- 3 'I love cooking. I find it very **relaxing** after a long and stressful day at work. I don't like shopping for food though. It's so **tiring**.'

b Look at the words in bold in Exercise 2a. When do we use adjectives ending in -ed or -ing, e.g. **tired/tiring**, **amazed/amazing**?

3 Choose the correct alternatives.

- 1 I get very *annoyed/annoying* when people are late for meetings.
- 2 Last year I spent three months travelling round South America. What an *amazed/amazing* experience!
- 3 My parents get very *worried/worrying* when I don't come home on time.
- 4 The first time I met my boyfriend's parents, I dropped my tea on the floor! It was so *embarrassed/embarrassing*!
- 5 I don't like watching horror films on my own. They're too *frightened/frightening*.
- 6 My sister was so *disappointed/disappointing* when she didn't pass her driving test.
- 7 My brother is travelling abroad and we haven't heard from him for weeks. It's very *worried/worrying*.
- 8 After a few days on holiday, I feel so *relaxed/relaxing*.
- 9 I hate getting up early every day. It's very *tired/tiring*.

4 Work in pairs. Answer the questions using adjectives in Exercises 1 and 2.

- 1 How do you feel when you miss a bus or train?
- 2 What do you think about people who talk very loudly on the train?
- 3 How do you feel when you're on holiday?
- 4 How would you describe a recent film you saw?
- 5 How do you feel when you go to an interview?
- 6 How would you describe the problem of extreme weather?
- 7 How do you feel when you receive a terrible gift?
- 8 Why wouldn't you ask someone how old they are?



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Listening

5 a 2.1 Listen to three stories. Match speakers 1–3 with topics a–c.

- a a funny incident
- b an annoying day
- c a surprising meeting

b Listen again. Are the sentences true (T) or false (F)? Correct the false sentences.

- 1 Speaker 1 was visiting his old university.
- 2 He was going into a café when he met his old friend.
- 3 While Speaker 2 was walking to the station, she remembered she didn't have her phone.
- 4 When she got to the station, her train was just arriving.
- 5 Speaker 3 was leaving the office when she heard a noise.
- 6 While she was waiting for the security guard, she saw a cat.

Grammar

6 Read the grammar box and choose the correct alternatives.

Past simple and past continuous

Use the ¹*past simple/past continuous* to talk about completed actions and events in the past.

*Last year I **had** an interview for a new job.*

Use the ²*past simple/past continuous*

- to talk about an action or situation in progress around a time in the past.

*One afternoon, I **was walking** along the street ...*

- to describe the background to a story.

*I **was working** late at the office one night ...*

Use the past continuous and past simple with *when* and *while* to talk about interrupted actions. Use *while* or *while/when* + past continuous and *when* + past simple.

*While I **was walking** through the old town, I suddenly **realised** I was late.*

*She **was just leaving** when she **heard** a noise.*

7 a 2.2 Listen and notice the pronunciation of *was*. Is it strong or weak?

- 1 While he was visiting his home town, he met an old friend.
- 2 While he was walking to the station, it started to rain.
- 3 While she was waiting, she saw a cat.

b Listen again and repeat.

8 Complete the story with the correct form of the verbs in brackets.

While I ¹_____ (study) at university, I ²_____ (join) the Drama Society. I love the theatre and I really ³_____ (want) to act in a play. In my first year, I only had a small part but I ⁴_____ (practise) for weeks! However, the day of my first performance was a disaster! While I ⁵_____ (wait) to go on stage, I ⁶_____ (start) to get nervous. When I finally ⁷_____ (go) on stage, I ⁸_____ (forget) my words. Can you imagine? I ⁹_____ (stand) on stage in front of a big audience. Everyone ¹⁰_____ (wait) for me to speak, but I couldn't say a thing. I was so embarrassed!

9 Complete the sentences with your own ideas.

- 1 Recently, I was sitting in the park/the garden/a café when ...
- 2 While I was walking/driving home the other night, ...
- 3 My phone/The doorbell rang while I was ...
- 4 I was having a cup of tea/coffee with my mum/a friend when ...
- 5 My car/My friend's car broke down while ...
- 6 My friends/dinner guests arrived at my house while I was still ...

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Speaking

PREPARE

10 You're going to tell a story about a time when you felt frightened, annoyed, embarrassed, surprised, pleased or disappointed. Think about these questions and make notes.

- When/Where did it happen?
- What were you doing at the time?
- What happened?
- How did you feel?
- Why was it annoying/embarrassing etc.?

SPEAK

11 a Work in pairs. Tell your partner your story. Listen to your partner's story and respond. Use the Useful phrases to help you.

Useful phrases

What happened?
How amazing!
Really!
How did you feel?
I was surprised/excited.

b What adjectives would you use to describe your partner's story?

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2A Past simple and past continuous

past simple

Use the past simple to talk about completed past actions and events.

*I **played** football yesterday.*

For most verbs, add *-ed* to the infinitive (e.g. *worked, watched, played*) to form the past simple. Some verbs have an irregular past simple form (e.g. *went, saw, knew*).

*I **met** some nice guys at the party.*

To form the negative, use *didn't* + infinitive and to form questions, use *did* + subject + infinitive.

***Did** you **see** Jenny last night?*

*I **didn't have** any lunch today.*

For the verb *be*, the past simple is *was* or *were*. To form the negative, add *-n't* and to form a question, put *was* or *were* before the subject.

*We **were** all quite tired last night.*

*He **was** there when I called.*

*We **weren't** very happy with her.*

past continuous

To form the past continuous, use *was/were* + *-ing* form.

+	He was working. We were living in Rome in 2017.
-	He wasn't working. We weren't living in Rome in 2017.
?	Was he working? Were you living in Rome in 2017?

Use the past continuous to talk about an action or situation in progress at or around a time in the past. We often use the past continuous to give the background to a story.

*It **wasn't raining** when we left.*

*How long **were** you **waiting** for the bus?*

The past continuous is often used with the past simple when one action interrupts another. Use *when* and *while* to link the actions. *While* is usually used with longer actions (e.g. with the past continuous) and *when* for shorter action (e.g. with the past simple).

*I **saw** Dasha **while** I **was driving** to work.*

*We **were living** in Rome **when** we **met**.*

PRACTICE

- 2A 1** Complete the sentences with the pairs of verbs in the box. Use one in the past simple and the other in the past continuous.

not answer/drive eet/do you queue/get
rain/not go ee/wait walk/start

- I _____ you this morning while I _____ for the bus.
- I _____ the dog when it _____ snowing.
- We first _____ at university. We _____ the same degree.
- Sorry I _____ the phone earlier. I _____.
- It _____ this morning, so we _____ for a walk.
- How long _____ before you _____ into the exhibition?

- 2** Complete the stories with the correct form of the verb in brackets.

While she ¹_____ (celebrate) her grandparents' golden wedding in Stafford, UK, ten-year-old Laura Buxton ²_____ (release) a balloon with a note attached. The note asked the person who found the balloon to write back. Ten days later she ³_____ (receive) a reply. The girl, who ⁴_____ (find) the balloon while she ⁵_____ (play) in her garden 140 miles away, was also called Laura Buxton and was ten years old.

A couple ⁶_____ (have) an argument in a restaurant when the woman ⁷_____ (throw) a drink over the man. A few seconds later she ⁸_____ (slip) on the drink and ⁹_____ (hurt) her back. She later ¹⁰_____ (receive) over \$100,000 in compensation because the restaurant ¹¹_____ (not / clean up) the liquid quickly enough. The manager said that the staff ¹²_____ (try) to stop the argument at the time.

Vocabulary

Describing feelings and events

1 Complete the sentences with the adjectives in the box.

annoyed disappointed embarrassed frightened
relaxed worried

- Someone is talking loudly on their phone at work and you're trying to concentrate. You feel
- You see someone who you know at a party, but you've forgotten their name. You feel
- You're camping in a forest and hear a strange noise. You feel
- You're lying on a sofa watching your favourite TV programme. You feel
- You receive your exam results, but you've failed. You feel
- Your sister hasn't answered her phone for a week and you're trying to contact her. You feel

2 Choose the correct alternatives.

- It's very *annoying/relaxing* when people shout.
- Walking in the country is very *relaxing/worrying*.
- I get *embarrassed/surprised* when I have to speak in public.
- When I go somewhere new, I get *excited/disappointed* thinking about all the new things I'll see.
- That horror film *was frightening/tiring*. I couldn't sleep all night!
- The storm last week *was disappointing/surprising*. The weather forecast was completely wrong!
- I didn't sleep very well last night, so I'm very *tired/embarrassed* today.
- I was really excited about that film, but it was really *disappointing/relaxing*.
- The price of petrol keeps going up. It's really *worrying/embarrassing*.
- I met my ex-boyfriend in town yesterday, and he was with his new girlfriend. It was really *embarrassing/disappointing*.

3 Complete the adjectives with -ing or -ed.

- I was *surpris*ed when I saw my exam results!
- Travelling around the world was an *amaz*..... experience.
- Working late makes me feel very *tir*.....
- Climate change is very *worry*.....
- I love staying in and reading a good book – I find it very *relax*.....
- She felt *embarrass*..... when she fell over in the street.
- I'm *excit*..... about my trip.
- It was raining very hard when I drove home – it was very *frighten*.....

Grammar

Past simple and past continuous



4 Choose the correct alternatives.

- A: First caller, hello. What ¹*did you do/were you doing* when the Berlin Wall came down?
- B: Well, it's difficult to believe, but I ²*was being/was there* in West Berlin and I saw all the celebrations. It was amazing.
- A: ³*Did you see/Were you seeing* anything interesting?
- B: Oh yes – when I got to the wall, everyone ⁴*was having/had* a great time and lots of people ⁵*were standing/stood* on the wall.
- A: That sounds amazing. Caller two. Can you tell us about your experience?
- B: Of course. I ⁶*learnt/was learning* German at the time, so I was in Berlin, and on that night I was in town with some German friends. No one could believe what ⁷*was happening/happened*. We were having a drink when suddenly everyone started shouting. I was frightened at first, but then I ⁸*heard/was hearing* someone say 'the wall is down'. We thought it was a joke, but when we saw the police, we realised it was true.

5 Use the prompts to write sentences with the past simple and past continuous.

- Someone call / when / I give a class
Someone called when I was giving a class.
- She met husband / when / she study English at university
.....
- I wait for a bus for one hour / when / three come at once!
.....
- He travel / when / he meet an old friend
.....
- My niece call / when / I watch TV
.....
- I walk to the station / when / I realise / I (not) have my phone
.....