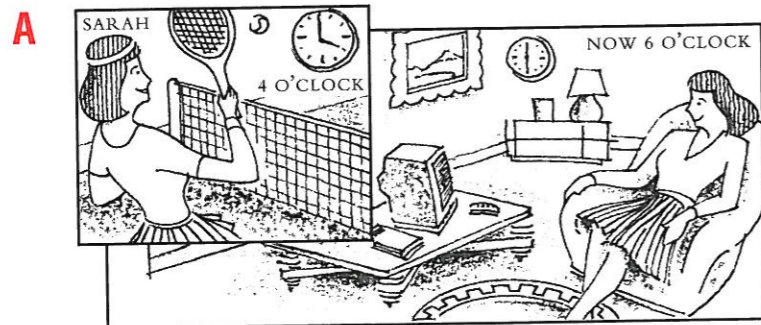
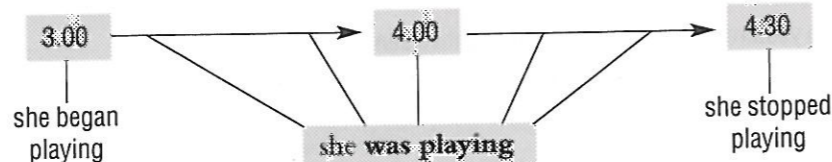


I was doing (past continuous)



It is 6 o'clock now. Sarah **is** at home. She **is watching** television.
 At 4 o'clock she **wasn't** at home. She **was** at the sports club. She **was playing** tennis. She **wasn't watching** television.



B was/were + -ing is the past continuous:

positive			negative			question		
I	was	doing	I	was not (wasn't)	doing	was	I	doing?
he		watching	he		watching	he	she	watching?
she		playing	she		playing	she	it	playing?
it		running	it		running	it		running?
		living			living			living?
we	were	etc.	we	were not (weren't)	etc.	we	you	
you			you			you	they	
they			they			they		etc.

- What **were** you **doing** at 11.30 yesterday? **Were** you **working**?
- 'What did he say?' 'I don't know. I **wasn't listening**.'
- It **was raining**, so we didn't go out.
- In 1985 we **were living** in Canada.
- Today she's wearing a skirt, but yesterday she **was wearing** trousers.
- I woke up early yesterday. It was a beautiful morning. The sun **was shining** and the birds **were singing**.

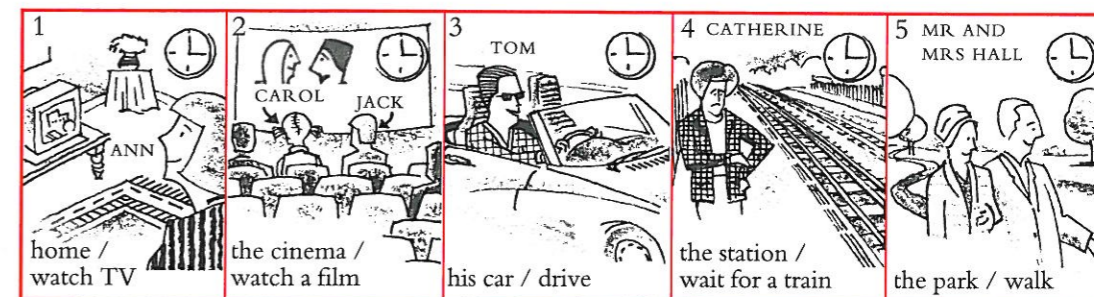
Spelling (live → living / run → running / lie → lying etc.) ⇒ Appendix 5

C am/is/are + -ing (present) → was/were + -ing (past):

- I'm **working** (now). I **was working** at 10.30 last night.
- It **isn't raining** (now). It **wasn't raining** when we went out.
- What **are** you **doing** (now)? What **were** you **doing** at three o'clock?

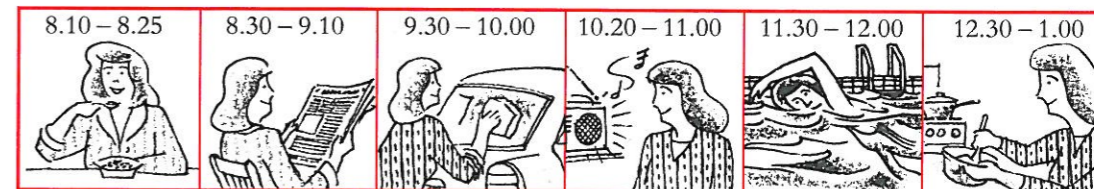
EXERCISES

13.1 Look at the pictures. Where were these people at 3 o'clock yesterday afternoon? And what were they doing? Write two sentences for each picture.



- Ann was at home. She was watching TV.
- Carol and Jack They
- Tom
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-
- And you? I

13.2 Sarah did a lot of things yesterday morning. Look at the pictures and complete the sentences.



- At 9.45 she was washing her car.
- At 11.45 she
- At 9 o'clock
- At 12.50
- At 8.15
- At 10.30

13.3 Complete the questions. Use was/were -ing. Use what/where/why if necessary.

- (you/live) Where were you living in 1990?
- (you/do) at 2 o'clock?
- (it/rain) when you got up?
- (Ann/drive) so fast?
- (Tim/wear) a suit yesterday?

In London.
 I was asleep.
 No, it was sunny.
 Because she was in a hurry.
 No, a T-shirt and jeans.

13.4 Look at the picture. You saw Joe in the street yesterday afternoon. What was he doing? Write positive or negative sentences.



- (wear / a jacket) He wasn't wearing a jacket.
- (carry / a bag)
- (go / to the dentist)
- (eat / an ice-cream)
- (carry / an umbrella)
- (go / home)
- (wear / a hat)
- (ride / a bicycle)