

Past Progressive Story 2 (Past Continuous)

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Who were they? What were they doing? What was happening?

One sunny day, Billy and Timmy were delivering a box to Mr. Thompson. The crate was full of glasses. They were carrying the box on a cart. They were taking the glasses to Mr. Thompson's store at the end of the street. They were being very careful with the crate full of glasses.

As they were passing by the school, they saw Jack and Tom. Jack and Tom were playing soccer. Billy and Timmy asked the other boys for help. The four boys steered the cart through the streets. While Billy and Timmy were pulling from the front, Jack and Tom were pushing from behind.

As they were walking, Billy and Timmy were guiding the cart over bumps and holes. They were protecting the glasses. When the four boys arrived at the store, Mr. Thompson was waiting for them. While Mr. Thompson was unloading the glasses, he thanked the boys for their hard work. None of the glasses were broken! The boys were feeling very proud of their hard work.

Past Progressive Story 2 – Exercises

A. Answer the following questions. Use the Past Progressive tense.

1. What were Billy and Timmy doing with the box? Why were they being careful?

2. What were Jack and Tom doing? Where were they?

3. Who was waiting for the boys at the store? How were the boys feeling at the end of the story?

B. Rewrite the following sentences as negative sentences, yes/no questions, WH-questions (using the underlined word or phrase) and tag questions.

Examples for the sentence “Sam was watching a movie last night.”

Negative: Sam was not watching a movie last night.

Yes/No Question: Was Sam watching a movie last night?

WH-Question: What was Sam doing last night?

Tag Question: Sam was watching a movie last night, wasn't he?

1. They were carrying the box on a cart.

Negative: _____

Yes/No Question: _____

WH-Question: _____

Tag Question: _____

2. Jack and Tom were playing soccer.

Negative: _____

Yes/No Question: _____

WH-Question: _____

Tag Question: _____

3. They were protecting the glasses.

Negative: _____

Yes/No Question: _____

WH-Question: _____

Tag Question: _____

Past Progressive Story 2 – Answers

A. Answer the following questions. Use the Present Progressive tense.

1. What were Billy and Timmy doing with the box? Why were they being careful?

Billy and Timmy were delivering the box to Mr. Thompson's store. They were being careful because they didn't want to break the glasses.

2. What were Jack and Tom doing? Where were they?

Jack and Tom were playing soccer. They were at the school.

3. Who was waiting for the boys at the store? How were the boys feeling at the end of the story?

Mr. Thompson was waiting for the boys at the store. The boys were feeling proud at the end of the story.

B. Rewrite the following sentences as negative sentences, yes/no questions, WH-questions (using the underlined word) and tag questions.

1. They were carrying the box on a cart.

Negative: They were not carrying the box on the cart.

Yes/No Question: Were they carrying the box on the cart?

WH-Question: What were they carrying on the cart?

Tag Question: They were carrying the box on the cart, weren't they?

2. Jack and Tom were playing soccer.

Negative: Jack and Tom were not playing soccer.

Yes/No Question: Were Jack and Tom playing soccer?

WH-Question: Who was playing soccer?

Tag Question: Jack and Tom were playing soccer, weren't they?

3. They were protecting the glasses.

Negative: They were not protecting the glasses.

Yes/No Question: Were they protecting the glasses?

WH-Question: What were they protecting?

Tag Question: They were protecting the glasses, weren't they?

C. This is a copy of the original story without any capital letters. Rewrite the story using correct capitalization.

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