



## Past Continuous

Listen to a conversation with a police officer using the past continuous.

**Jane:** Hello.

**Police Officer:** Hello Miss. I don't mean to **bother** you, but can I just ask you a few questions?

**Jane:** Sure.

**Police officer:** Yeah, there was a crime **committed** last night so we've **been asking** some of the locals . What were you doing at eight o'clock yesterday evening?

**Jane:** I was watching a movie.

**Police officer:** Hmm. What movie were **you watching**?

**Jane:** Twilight, the vampire movie.

**Police officer:** Really? What time was **it playing**?

**Jane:** I **was watching** it from 7 until 9. I was **not robbing** that old woman at 8 o'clock because I was **watching the** movie. Look, I watched the whole movie from start to finish.

**Police officer:** So, how do you know it **was an old** woman that got robbed?

**Jane:** Ahmm.

## Quiz

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- 1) She says she was \_\_\_\_ . ✓  
a) **watching a movie**  
b) sleeping
- 2) When did the crime happen? ✓  
a) at night  
b) **in the morning**
- 3) What have the police been doing? ✓  
a) **Talking with locals**  
b) Taking pictures
- 4) What was the woman likely doing at 8? ✓  
a) Watching a vampire movie  
b) **Committing a crime**

## Grammar Challenge

Fill in the blanks with the correct word.

committed	not robbing	was watching
watching the	been asking	to bother
it playing	you watching	was an old

## Speaking Challenge

Match the answers with the questions.

1. What were you doing ten minutes ago?
2. What were you doing last night at midnight?
3. What were you wearing yesterday?
4. Who were you talking with the last time you called someone? What were you talking about?

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- [ 1 ] I was sitting over there waiting to start class.  
[ 4 ] I was talking with my mom about my dad.  
[ 3 ] I had on jeans and t-shirt. I wasn't working.  
[ 2 ] I was reading in bed.

**What about you?** Share your answers to the questions.