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Intermediate Student's Book

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## Telling tales

Past tenses · Passive · Art and literature · Giving opinions



#### **TEST YOUR GRAMMAR**

Match the sentences and pictures.

- When Carol arrived home, Mark cooked dinner.
- When Carol arrived home, Mark was cooking dinner.
- 3 When Carol arrived home, Mark had cooked dinner.

What is the difference in meaning?





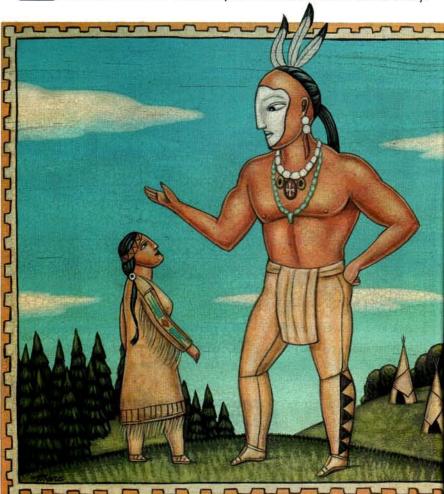


#### A NATIVE AMERICAN FOLK TALE

#### Past tenses

- 1 Look at the pictures. They tell the story of Gluskap, a warrior from the Algonquian tribe of North America. What can you see? What do you think the story is about?
- 2 Read the story on p23 and the phrases below. Complete the story with the phrases.
  - a had run a few miles
  - b had fought and won so many battles
  - c was still screaming
  - d had never heard such a terrible noise
  - e was sitting and sucking a piece of sugar
  - f had never heard of Wasis

**T3.1** Listen and check. What do you think is the moral of the story?



#### GRAMMAR SPOT

1 Which tense is used in these two sentences? Which verbs are regular? Which are irregular? He laughed and went up to the baby.

He **danced** and **sang**.

Find more examples in the story and underline them.

2 What are the tenses in these sentences? What is the difference in meaning?

He laughed when he saw the baby.
He was laughing when he saw the baby.
He laughed when he'd seen the baby. (he'd = he had)

3 Find two examples of the Past Simple passive in the story.

Grammar Reference 3.1-3.4 pp137-139

#### Pronunciation

3 Work with a partner. Write the verbs from the box in the chart according to the pronunciation of the -ed ending.

laughed covered wanted stopped shouted listened opened boasted looked danced screamed pointed

/t/	/d/	/ɪd/	
laughed			

T 3.2 Listen, check, and practise.

## THE TALE OF GLUSKAP AND THE BABY

Gluskap the warrior was very pleased with himself because he (1) \_\_\_. He boasted to a woman friend: 'Nobody can beat me!' 'Really?' said the woman. 'I know someone who can beat you. His name is Wasis.' Gluskap (2) \_\_\_. He immediately wanted to meet him and fight him. So he was taken to the woman's village. The woman pointed to a baby who (3) \_\_\_ on the floor of a teepee.

'There,' she said. 'That is Wasis. He is little, but he is very strong.' Gluskap laughed and went up to the baby. 'I am

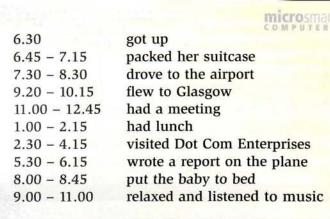
Gluskap. Fight me!' he shouted. Little Wasis looked at him for a moment, then he opened his mouth. 'Waaah! Waaah!' he screamed. Gluskap (4) \_\_\_\_. He danced a war dance and sang some war songs. Wasis screamed louder. 'Waaah! Waaah! Waaah!' Gluskap covered his ears and ran out of the teepee. After he (5) \_\_\_\_, he stopped and listened. The baby (6) \_\_\_\_. Gluskap the fearless was terrified. He ran on and was never seen again in the woman's village.



#### PRACTICE

#### What was she doing?

 Judy works for MicroSmart Computers in London. Read about what she did yesterday.





2 Work with a partner. Ask and answer questions about what Judy was doing at these times.

7.00 a.m.	8.00 a.m.	10.00 a.m.	11.30 a.m.	
1.30 p.m.	3.00 p.m.	6.00 p.m.	8.30 p.m.	10.00 p.m.

T3.3 Listen and check.

**3** Write a similar list about what you did yesterday. Ask and answer questions with your partner.

What was she doing at 7 o'clock yesterday morning?

She was packing her suitcase.

What were you doing at 7 o'clock yesterday morning?

I was having a shower.

#### Had you heard it before?

4 Work with a partner.

Student A Read a statement from your box.
Student B Answer with the correct response from your box.

#### STUDENT A

- 1 I didn't laugh at his joke.
- 2 Were you surprised by the ending of the film?
- 3 I went to the airport, but I couldn't get on the plane.
- 4 I was homesick the whole time I was living in France.
- 5 The hotel where we stayed on holiday was awful!
- 6 I met my girlfriend's parents for the first time last Sunday.
- 7 My grandfather had two sons from his first marriage.

### STUDENT B

Why? Had you left your passport at home?

Why? Had you heard it before?

That's a pity. Hadn't you stayed there before?

Really? I didn't know he'd been married before.

Really? I thought you'd met them before.

No, I'd read the book, so I already knew the story.

That's really sad! Had you never lived abroad before?

T 3.4 Listen and check, then listen and repeat.

5 Choose two of the conversations and continue them.

I didn't laugh at his joke.

Why? Had you heard it before?

No, I hadn't. I just didn't think it was very funny, that's all.

Really? I thought it was hilarious!