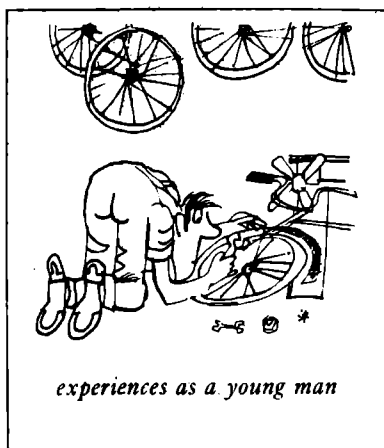


31 Success Story

Yesterday afternoon Frank Hawkins was telling me about his experiences as a young man. Frank is now the head of a very large business company, but as a boy he used to work in a small shop. It was his job to repair bicycles and at that time he used to work fourteen hours a day. He saved money for years and in 1938 he bought a small work-shop of his own. During the war Frank used to make spare parts for aeroplanes. At that time he had two helpers. By the end of the war, the small work-shop had become a large factory which employed seven hundred and twenty-eight people. Frank smiled when he remembered his hard early years and the long road to success. He was still smiling when the door opened and his wife came in. She wanted him to repair their son's bicycle!



Comprehension and Précis

Answer these questions *in not more than 80 words*.

1. What was Frank Hawkins telling the writer about?
2. Where did Frank use to work as a boy?
3. What did he use to do there?
4. When did he buy his own shop? What did he make during the war? (*and*)
5. Did he employ a lot of people by the end of the war or not?
6. Who came into the room after a while?
7. What did she want him to repair?

Composition

Rewrite these sentences using the correct verbs and joining words:

Frank (not only) (neither) (repaired) (made) his son's bicycle, (but) (also) went for a ride on it (as well) (both). He (said) (told) me later: 'I (make) (do) aeroplanes, (and) (but) I prefer bicycles.'

Letter-writing

Which of the following headings is correct:

Mr Bill Howard,
214 Duke St.,
Perth,
Western Australia.

214 Duke St.,
Perth,
Western Australia.
14th May, 19—

Duke St. 214,
14th May, 19—,
Perth,
Western Australia.

Key Structures

He used to work fourteen hours a day.

Do you remember these sentences? (KS 25)

When I *was watering* the garden, it *began* to rain.

As I *was getting on* the bus, I *slipped* and *hurt* my foot.

Now compare them with these sentences:

I *used to go* to work by bus. Now I go by car.

He *used to be* a postman a long time ago. He's a taxi driver now.

I have given up smoking. I *used to smoke* very heavily.

I *used to collect* stamps when I was a boy.

My uncle *used to live* in New Zealand but he's now living in Australia.

Exercises

A. Underline the verbs in the passage which tell us *what was happening, what happened* and *what used to happen*.

B. Give the correct form of the verbs in brackets. Do not refer to the passage until you finish the exercise:

1. Frank is now the head of a very large business company, but as a boy he (work) in a small shop. It (be) his job to repair bicycles and at that time he (work) fourteen hours a day. He (save) money for years and in 1938 he (buy) a small work-shop.
2. Frank (smile) when he (remember) his hard early years. He still (smile) when the door (open) and his wife (come) in.

C. What was happening? What happened? What used to happen?

Give the correct form of the verbs in brackets:

While my wife (work) in the kitchen, I (sit) in the garden. I (look) at cars which (pass) in the street, when a small car (stop) outside my gate and a man (get) out. I was most surprised to see that the man was Ted Hale. We (be) at the same school years ago. In those days, Ted (come) to our house nearly every day and we often (go) out together. We (be) great friends, but one day we (quarrel) and I never (see) him again. As he (get) out of his car, I (call) my wife and we both (hurry) out to greet an old friend.

Special Difficulties

Words Often Misused and Confused

a Experience. Note the following:

Frank Hawkins was telling me about his experiences. (ll. 1-2)

This job requires a lot of experience.

He is an experienced worker.

b Save. Note the following:

He saved money for years. (l. 8)

The young man dived into the river and saved the boy's life.

c Work and Job. Note the following:

It was his job to repair bicycles. (ll. 5-6)

I've just found a new job. I begin work on Monday.

Exercise

Choose the correct words in the following sentences:

1. He is a very (experience) (experienced) doctor.
2. My father enjoys doing (jobs) (works) about the house.
3. I am looking for a new (work) (job).
4. The government is trying to persuade people to (economize) (save) money.