



ENGLISH

Chapter 2

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SECONDARY

LITERATURE

Past Tenses Review




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SPEAKING

Talking About Literary Experiences

- 1  13 James and Rachel are in a bookstore. Listen to the first part of their conversation and complete the dialogue.

Hi, Rachel. Good to see you.

Hi! Good to see you, too.

a _____ you b _____
to buy the book for the literature project, too?

No, not really. I c _____ a book for my birthday, but I d _____ the summary on the back cover and e _____ it. It's not the kind of genre I like, so I f _____ of exchanging it for another one.

What g _____ you
h _____ in mind?

Nothing in particular ...
what do you recommend?

Well, I i _____ a look at the new Jojo Moyes book when you j _____. I k _____ really l _____ forward to reading it.



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Listen to the second part of the conversation. What book did James decide to get?



FUNCTIONAL LANGUAGE

Asking for and Giving Opinions

I simply love ...

To be honest, I think ...

I prefer ... to ...

What about ...?

If you ask me, ...

Speaking Task

Prepare a dialogue between you and a friend.

Step 1

Think about these genres. Do you like them?
Why / why not?



Science fiction



Crime



Romance

Step 2

Think about which type of book you want to ask your friend about.

What do you think of comics?

Don't you agree that crime stories are really interesting?

Think about how you would respond. Try to use different adjectives.

I reckon they're really boring. I prefer fantasy stories.

If you ask me, they're brilliant / fantastic / exciting / terrifying / amazing.

Step 3

Work in pairs. Practice your dialogue.



Famous Nigerian Writers

CHIMAMANDA NGOZI ADICHIE

(1977-)

Chimamanda Ngozi Adichie is a Nigerian novelist, short story and non-fiction writer. Her books have been translated into over thirty languages. Her most famous works include her first novel *Purple Hibiscus*, *Half of a Yellow Sun*, *Americanah*, the short story collection *The Thing Around Your Neck*, and the essay *We Should All Be Feminists*.



OTOSIRIEZE OBI-YOUNG

(1994-)


Otosirieke Obi-Young is a writer, literary journalist, and blogger. He is also the editor of the African literary culture website *Brittle Paper*, which has published the works of many Nigerian authors. He has written a collection of short stories called *You Sing of a Longing* and has been nominated for several literary prizes.



CHINUA ACHEBE (1930-2013)

Chinua Achebe was a Nigerian novelist, poet, professor, and critic. His first novel, *Things Fall Apart*, was published in 1958 and is still one of the most popular books in African literature. It was translated into more than 45 languages and sold over 10 million copies all over the world. Some of his other books include *No Longer at Ease*, *Arrow of God*, and *A Man of the People*.



1  **15** Read and listen. Then answer the questions.

- a** Which author has been popular for over 50 years? _____
- b** Which author has written about feminism? _____
- c** Which author writes for online platforms? _____



2 Have you heard of any of these authors? Have you read any of their books?

3 Who are your favorite authors?

Literary Genres

- 1 Find seven literary genres in the word search.

Y	P	O	E	T	R	Y	T	B	E	A
C	R	I	M	E	P	D	H	I	X	D
L	D	N	N	W	L	C	R	O	M	V
V	V	P	O	C	A	M	I	G	Y	E
I	F	G	W	T	Y	E	L	R	H	N
I	A	E	P	A	K	W	L	A	X	T
C	N	U	O	O	B	H	E	P	B	U
O	T	R	E	L	Y	N	R	H	M	R
M	A	Z	R	C	C	V	K	Y	C	E
I	S	H	R	Z	J	Z	V	O	D	D
C	Y	C	Y	I	R	L	U	P	Q	V

2 Match the descriptions with the literary genres in the box.

adventure biography ~~comic~~ crime fantasy
play poetry science fiction thriller

The pictures are great and the words are really funny. I buy it every week. comic

- a I love the work of Pablo Neruda. He says everything in just 20 or 30 lines. _____
- b The explorer travels to the North Pole – all alone! _____
- c It describes the early life of the Spanish writer Miguel de Cervantes, who was born in 1547. _____
- d It's set during the Second World War. You could read it or see it at the theater. _____
- e A woman goes to live on Mars and makes friends with aliens. _____
- f A refugee is running away from the police. They say he is a terrorist but we know he is innocent. It's really exciting. _____
- g Lord Waldron fights the Giants and tries to get back the magic sword. _____
- h Philip Marlowe is a tough detective who is trying to solve a murder. _____

3 Order the letters and write the words.

onn-noctifi *non-fiction* _____

a thors rytos _____

b ysfnata _____

c ensicce cofinit _____

d shirticoaltifinco _____

e reuvendat _____

f hayboatgroupi _____

4 Underline the correct words.

It's a **thriller** / **short story** about a man whose life changes when he meets someone at an airport. It's only 25 pages.

- a He mostly reads **non-fiction** / **science fiction**. He especially likes books about art.
- b The last **crime** / **adventure** story I read was about a man who is in a plane crash in the Brazilian jungle. He is the only survivor and stays in the forest for 40 days.
- c My favorite **autobiography** / **short story** is by a famous singer. She writes about many interesting events in her life.
- d Many people enjoy reading **thriller** / **historical fiction** stories because they contain lots of excitement.
- e I've just finished reading a **non-fiction** / **science fiction** book about a man who invents a time machine and travels into the future.



GRAMMAR 1

Review: Simple Past and Past Progressive

1 Underline the correct words.

While / **When** you called, I was taking a shower.

a You were playing videogames **while** / **when** I was studying.

b J.K. Rowling had to look after her first baby **while** / **when** she was writing the first *Harry Potter* book.

c You weren't listening **while** / **when** I told you about that Greek myth.

d **While** / **When** she was listening to her favorite song on the radio, the doorbell rang.

e **While** / **When** she arrived, he was watching a movie on TV.

2 Complete the sentences with the past progressive form of the verbs in parentheses.

They met when they were looking for (look for) books in the school library.

- a While she _____ (work) in a shoe store, she wrote a short story for the literary competition.
- b He _____ (talk) to a friend when he had an idea for a science fiction story.
- c While I _____ (read) a science fiction novel, he _____ (read) the biography of Salvador Dalí.



2 Complete the sentences with the past progressive form of the verbs in parentheses.

- d** What _____ (you think) about while the speaker _____ (talk) about science fiction? You were totally distracted.
- e** I _____ (not concentrate) while he _____ (speak).



3 Underline the correct words.

Luke, the hero of the book, was sitting / **sat** in the bath when he **was hearing** / heard a loud noise.

- a While he **was getting** / **got** out of the bath, all the lights **were going** / **went** out.
- b He **was seeing** / **saw** something dark outside the bathroom window while he **dried** / **was drying** himself with a towel.
- c While he **was putting** / **put** on his clothes, the thing **was jumping** / **jumped** through the bathroom window.
- d Luke **was screaming** / **screamed** and **was running** / **ran** out of the room.



- e He **was looking** / **looked** for a flashlight in the kitchen when he **was feeling** / **felt** something warm and soft near his feet.
- f He **was pointing** / **pointed** the flashlight at the warm soft thing and suddenly **he was realizing** / **realized** it was the neighbor's cat.
- g Luke **was starting** / **started** to laugh and **was picking** / **picked** the cat up.

4 Write questions for these answers. Use the simple past or past progressive form of the verbs.

I found *a really interesting biography* in the library yesterday.

What did you find in the library yesterday? _____

a I started reading it *yesterday afternoon*.

When _____?

b I was thinking about *a book called The Hobbit* when Adam arrived.

What _____?

c We travelled *around The Caribbean* last summer.

Where _____?

d Sam was talking to *his friend Anita*.

Who _____?

e I lived there *for more than two years*.

How _____?

5 Complete the text with the simple past or past progressive form of the verbs in parentheses.

Last night Dave **a** was sitting (sit) at home in front of the TV. He **b** _____ (not watch) it because he **c** _____ (send) a text message on his cell phone. The presenter **d** _____ (read) the news but Dave **e** _____ (not pay) attention. Suddenly he **f** _____ (hear) the name 'Jason McDermot.' He immediately **g** _____ (look) up and **h** _____ (see) his friend Jason.

'Jason McDermot **i** _____ (stop) two thieves today outside Alpha Bank on 21st Avenue,' the presenter said. 'How exactly **j** _____ (you stop) them, Jason?' 'I **k** _____ (not do) anything special,' Jason answered.

'I **l** _____ (ride) my bike on the sidewalk outside the bank when two men **m** _____ (run) out of it. They **n** _____ (wear) masks and they **o** _____ (run) very fast. But I **p** _____ (not know) they were bank robbers so I **q** _____ (try) to stop. You see, I **r** _____ (not want) to hit them but I **s** _____ (can not stop). I **t** _____ (hit) them with my bike and we all **u** _____ (fall) on the ground. Then a police car **v** _____ (arrive) and they **w** _____ (arrest) the two men.'

'What did the police say to you, Jason?' the presenter asked.

'They **x** _____ (be) very angry with me because I **y** _____ (cycle) on the sidewalk. In fact, they **z** _____ (make) me pay a fine of \$20.'

6 Complete the text with the simple past or past progressive form of the verbs in parentheses.



As a child, J.K. Rowling, author of the *Harry Potter* books, **a** wrote (write) fantasy stories and **b** _____ (read) them to her younger sister. But she **c** _____ (not become) a professional writer for a long time. She first **d** _____ (work) as a secretary for some years and then as a teacher before she **e** _____ (become) a famous writer. She **f** _____ (get) her idea for *Harry Potter* while she **g** _____ (sit) on a train. The journey **h** _____ (take) a very long time because of problems with the train so Rowling **i** _____ (start) to make up characters for a book. But because she **j** _____ (be) very busy at work, she **k** _____ (not have) time to work seriously on the book.

In 1992 she **l** _____ (go) to Portugal and **m** _____ (teach) English. She **n** _____ (spend) every evening working on her book. She **o** _____ (get) married and **p** _____ (have) a daughter. When the marriage **q** _____ (end) in divorce, Rowling **r** _____ (move) back to Britain with her baby and **s** _____ (begin) to write seriously. She always **t** _____ (work) on her book in a café while her daughter **u** _____ (sleep) in a stroller next to her. It **v** _____ (take) Rowling a whole year to finish the book because she **w** _____ (need) to earn some money by teaching. In fact, she **x** _____ (not need) to worry about money so much. Her books soon **y** _____ (become) very successful and today she is one of the richest women in the UK.