# Lesson 67: Persistent

Persistent

Why did Elizabeth tell Nigel that she was going to the dentist?

I crossed the street to avoid meeting him, but he saw me and came running towards me.

It was no use pretending that I had not seen him, so I waved to him.

I never enjoy meeting Nigel Dykes.

He never has anything to do.

No matter how busy you are, he always insists on coming with you.

I had to think of a way of preventing him from following me around all morning.

“Nigel," I said.

"Hello, Nigel," I said. “Fancy meeting you here."

“Hi, Elizabeth," Nigel answered.

I was just wondering how to spend the morning — until I saw you.”

"You're not busy doing anything, are you?"

“No, not at all," I answered. “I'm going to—”

“Would you mind my coming with you?” he asked before I had finished speaking.

"Not at all," I lied, “but I'm going to the dentist."

“Then you come with me," he answered.

"There's always plenty to read in the waiting room!"

Even though Elizabeth tried to avoid meeting Nigel Dykes, she was not able to do so.

As he always insisted on accompanying her, she had to think of a way of preventing him from following her around all morning.

When she told him she was going to the dentist, he said he would come with her because there was always plenty to read in the waiting room.

As there was a dentist nearby whom she knew well, Elizabeth decided to go there in order to explain what had happened.

While Nigel was in the waiting room, Elizabeth spoke to the dentist, and he told her to leave at once through another door.

After Elizabeth had left, the dentist went into the waiting room and asked Nigel if he wanted to have his teeth checked.

I always avoid traveling during rush hour.

He enjoys playing football.

He completely denies taking it.

Fancy meeting you here!

There's no use crying about it;

it's not worth worrying about.

I can't stand people shouting and pushing.

Can't you see I'm busy writing?

Would you mind opening the window?

I don't mind waiting.

Would you mind opening the window?

Would you mind my opening the window?

Fancy writing a letter like that!

Fancy her writing a letter like that!

I saw him coming.

He heard me opening the door.

I can smell something burning.

Let's go dancing.

I went shopping this morning.

Come swimming with me tomorrow.

It's no use trying to reason with him.

Let's go swimming.

Forgive my interrupting you.

Do you deny having taken the money?

He came rushing towards me.

I'm busy writing letters.

I always enjoy going to the cinema.

Would you mind closing the door, please?

Elizabeth greeted Nigel Dykes out of politeness.

Which word best describes Nigel Dykes?

He is insensitive.

He came running towards her.

He went running after her.

It was no use pretending that she had not seen him.

It wasn't worth doing.

Nigel Dykes never has anything to do.

He always has nothing to do.

He insisted that he should go with her.

She said she didn't mind his going with her.

Elizabeth wanted to avoid meeting him.

She didn't pretend she hadn't seen him.

She didn't act as if she hadn't.

She waved to him.

She greeted him.

Fancy meeting you here! Imagine!

She lied to him.

What she said was false.

No matter how busy you are, he always insists on coming with you.