

UNIT 6 TELLING ABOUT EXPERIENCE

Practice 1a. Look at these pictures. Then, discuss the questions below!



1. Do you remember the time when you were a little child?
2. Where *did* you spend your childhood?
3. *Did* you have a happy childhood?
4. What is the most unforgettable or the most memorable one?
5. Look at the pictures and describe what they did or what they played as much as you can.

Practice 1b. Read the text about Rudi's experience. Answer the questions that follow orally!

My name is Rudiono. My friends call me Rudi. I was born in a small village named Rama Indra, in Central Lampung. I spent my childhood in the village. I remember when I was a child, the village was very beautiful. The air was fresh and clean because there were many trees. At the time we played traditional games. We played hide and seek, marble, we flew kites, swings, toy cars, hopscotch, see-saw, just to

mention some. We were very happy children although we played traditional games. We did not play online games because we did not have computer and there was no internet. I went to elementary school in my village. I did not go to kindergarten because there was no kindergarten. I went to Junior and senior high school in Kota Gajah about 10 km from my village. I rode bicycle to school. Everything was simple at that time.

Questions:

1. When was Rudi born?
2. Where did he spend his childhood?
3. Why was the air fresh and clean?
4. What kind of games did he play?
5. Why didn't they play online games?
6. Did he go to kindergarten? Why?
7. Where did he go to Junior and senior high school?
8. How did he go to school?

Practice 2a. Read the following language focus and then answer the questions!

When we tell about experience, we use **Past Tense**.

Nominal sentences.

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| <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • We were very happy. • There were many big and tall trees. • I was a naughty little boy. • Life was simple at that time. | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • There was no internet. • The air was fresh and clean. • Were there a lot of cars when you were a kid? • My friends were very kinds. |
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Verbal sentences

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| <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • I visited my uncle last week. • We walked about 3 km to school. • We played traditional games. • I went to elementary school. • I rode bicycle to school. • I spent my childhood in a village. | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • We did not have computer. • Did you walk to school too? • What game did you play? • Did you go to kindergarten? • We did not ride bicycle to school. • Where did you spend your childhood? |
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Some expressions used when we tell about experience

- I have a very happy childhood.
- I *spent* my childhood in a small village.
- I *was* very happy when I was a child.
- When I *was* a child, I lived with my grandparents.
- I remember when I was in Kindergarten. One day I played ... with my friends.
- We *were* very happy when we *played* and *sang* together.
- Where *did* you spend your childhood?
- What *did* you play when you were a kid?
- What *was* your favorite game?
- *Did* you go to kindergarten? What kindergarten did you go to?
- I *went* to Tunas Muda Kindergarten.
- What elementary school/ junior high school/senior high school *did* you go to?

Were you happy when you were a child?	Where did you spend your childhood?	What kindergarten did you go to?
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What game did you play?	What song did you sing?	Who was your favorite teacher?

Practice 2b. Fill in the blanks with the words provided!

Everything Went Wrong

Last Monday everything went wrong for me. Firstly, I (1)..... late. I did not eat my breakfast. I (2)..... to school, but I was late. Mr. Newman, my form teacher (3)..... accept my excuse for the lateness. He was very angry and (4)..... me not to be late again.

I (5)..... quietly in the back row. The next lesson was Mathematics. Mr. Sunarto (6)..... the class and asked us to hand in our homework. I (7)..... into my bag and (8)..... that I had left my book at home. When Mr. Sunarto found out about it, he (9)..... very displeased.

During recess, my stomach (10)..... I had eaten nothing all morning, and I did not bring my pocket money. I was too shy to borrow money from my friends. As the result I had to starve.

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| a. rush | d. enter | g. do not | j. growl |
| b. wake up | e. be | h. look | k. sad |
| c. tell | f. sit | i. realize | l. never |

Practice 3a. Read the dialogue and act out then in pair make your own dialogue about your childhood experience!

- Surya : So, Radit, did you have a happy childhood?
- Radit : Sure, I had a very happy childhood.
- Surya : Where did you spend your childhood?
- Radit : I spent my childhood in a village in Seputih Raman, Central Lampung. I played many kinds of games with my friends.
- Surya : What games did you play Radit?
- Radit : I remember playing a kite with my friends in the rice field after harvest time. We also played hide and seek, swing, see saw, marble, etc. What about you Surya?
- Surya : Well, I spent my childhood in a small town, Bukit Kemuning, in North Lampung. I went to kindergarten, elementary school and junior high school there.
- Radit : What was your most unforgettable time?
- Surya : When I was in kindergarten. I remember my mother always took me and accompanied me. I loved to play swing, hopscotch, football and many more.
- Radit : I played football too. But, I played a lot when I was in junior high school. Well, my most memorable time was when I was in junior high school. And I also played toy car. And I played games on the computer but not very much.
- Surya : Not much? Why? Most children like computer games.
- Radit : You know, I liked playing outdoor. Did you play computer games?
- Surya : Yes, I did, but not very much. I played futsal and football very often.

Practice 3b. In pair, describe each picture and then compare to other pairs!



Practice 4. Look at the pictures. Assume that they happened to you. Try to describe what happened to you then share in groups of 3-4!



Practice 5. Continue the story. You are free with your imagination to develop the story!

Last Thursday night I was at home alone. My father was out of town. My mother and my siblings were visiting my grandma in the village. I watched TV and suddenly the light was off. I tried to find a candle but I did not find any.

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Practice 6a. Chain story. Sit in groups of 4 or 5. Make circular position. Continue the story about a good experience. You should say at least one sentence every time you get your turn. (If you have no idea you must repeat the previous person's sentence). Go on until the story ends.!

Here are some options that you have to continue with the group:

1. Last Sunday I went to the beach.
2. I always remember my seventeenth birthday.
3. When I was in the third grade of senior high school, there was a new student. (make an agreement : if the new student was a female then the members of the group should all pretend to be males and vice versa.)
4. Last month I attended my friend's birthday party.

Practice 6b. Listen to the song and fill in the missing parts. Then, answer the questions that follow!

Sad Movies

Sue Thompson

*Sad movies always make me cry
He said he had to work, so I to the show alone.
They the lights and the projector on.
And just as the news of the world to begin,
I my darling and my best friend walking in.*

*Though I was sitting right there they
And so they right down in the front of me.
And when he her lips then I
And in the middle of the color cartoon I to cry.*

*Oh sad movies always make me cry
Sad movies always make me cry
Sad movies always make me cry
Sad movies always make me cry*

*So I and slowly I on home,
And Mama and said "what is wrong".
And so just to keep from
I just "Sad movies makes me cry".*

Oh sad movies always make me cry.

1. Can you retell what the song is about?
2. Did you ever experience something similar?
3. Did the movies really make her sad?
4. Why did she tell her mother that it was the movies that made her sad?
5. Is there a song that makes you remember your experience? Can you tell about the experience?