

Lesson 81

Watch your step

1. Past continuous—while /when

Czasu **past continuous** używamy często w zdaniach złożonych z czasem **simple past**. Używając czasu past continuous wyjaśniamy, co działo się, w momencie kiedy coś innego się zdarzyło.

He was walking down the street when a car stopped next to him.

Jeśli dwie dłużej trwające czynności działy się jednocześnie, używamy czasu *past continuous* w obu zdaniach.

While everyone was taking notes, the teacher was explaining the chart.

bay	go on a cruise	sail	stormy	wave	yacht
zatoka	popłynąć w rejs	płynąć łodzią	burzowo	fala	jacht

81.01 ► **Kimberly** We went on a 7-day boat cruise in October. It was a wonderful vacation, and I needed some rest. The weather was mostly fine, only on the first day, it was awful. I remember that morning. We were sailing the yacht across the bay when it got stormy. We were standing on the back of the boat and watching the dark clouds coming in when the wind got stronger. We were talking about the weather when it started to rain. We sailed in a terrible storm for most of the night—the waves were 30-foot high. I was sea-sick the whole time. In fact, most of the people were. Fortunately, the weather got better in the evening.

Join the following sentences with *when* or *while*.

I was sailing across the bay. I saw a beautiful yacht. *I was sailing across the bay when I saw a beautiful yacht.*

We were talking about the weather. It started to rain. _____

We were sailing the boat. It got stormy. _____

We were riding through the mountains. It got dark. _____

I was unpacking my suitcase. I heard a strange noise. _____

I was waiting for my flight. I got a text. _____

He showed up. We were negotiating the deal. _____

2.	across from na przeciwko	enter wejść	point wskazać	straight prosto	toward w kierunku
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81.02 ► **Connor** When I came to work this morning, I went straight to the meeting. I was late. When I entered the room, everyone was looking toward the front of the room. My colleague Julia was standing by the board and pointing at some numbers on it. She was drawing a chart, and everyone was listening to her. While she was explaining the numbers on the chart, some people were taking notes, while others were asking questions. I took a seat in the back, across from the boss, and took out my laptop quietly. The marketing manager was sitting next to me. He was answering a message on the phone when I said hi to him.

Use the prompts and build sentences with past continuous and simple past.

When Connor /enter/ the room, everybody /look/ toward the board. *When he entered the room, everyone was looking toward the board.*

When he /take/ a seat / his colleague /write/ on the board. _____

While she /explain/ the numbers / everyone /listen/ to her. _____

People /take/ notes while she /draw/ a chart. _____

When I /say/ hi /the marketing manager /write/ a message. _____

3.	available dostępny	decent porządny	furnished umeblowany	rent czynsz	townhouse kamienica, szeregowiec
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81.03 ► **Craig** I need to find a new place to live for my family. I got a job in a big city, and we have to move there. I'm looking for a large apartment. I was browsing the ads this morning when I found an interesting offer. It was in an old townhouse, but the building looked decent in the photos. The apartment was furnished, and the furniture looked new and of good quality. In addition, the rent was not bad. Also, the building was in the part of the city where I work. The area around seemed friendly enough. There was a strip mall opposite, and the nearest park was only two blocks away. Perfect location. I decided to go see it. I called the number on the ad, and a woman told me the apartment was still available. We arranged a time, and I went to see it the next afternoon.

Correct the information.

Craig is moving to a small town and he's looking for a house. *Craig is moving to a big city and he's looking for an apartment.*

He was browsing the ads when he found an apartment in a modern building. _____

*The building looked decent, but the
apartment wasn't furnished.* _____

*He phoned the ad, but the apartment wasn't
available anymore.* _____

*Craig arranged a time and went to see the
apartment the following week.* _____

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| 4. | attic | basement | Get out! | keep | neighborhood | stairs |
| | strych | piwnica | Wynocha! | przechowywać | dzielnica | schody |

Paige wants to sell her home. She is showing it to a potential buyer.

81.04 ► The house is in a very safe and quiet area, as you know, and it's one of the reasons why it costs more than similar houses in other neighborhoods. Still, I believe the price is reasonable. Let's start with the garage. It's quite large, as you can see. You can park a big car in here, and there's still space for bicycles. My husband is painting furniture here now, so we're parking our cars in the driveway for the moment. I know—the smell of paint is awful. Now, let's move on to the basement. We keep some old things here—mostly toys and clothes, some old furniture, and electronic equipment. There are so many boxes here. With so much stuff everywhere, the room may look smaller than it actually is. We keep other old things in the attic. You will see the attic later. Okay, now let's go upstairs. I will show you the living room and the kitchen. Watch your step. The stairs need painting—I realize that. Oh, Felix! So that's where you've been all this time. How did you get in here? Get out! Quick!

Correct the information and answer the questions.

Paige keeps toys, clothes, and skiing equipment in her basement. *She keeps toys, clothes, and electronic equipment in her basement.*

They keep other old things in the garage. _____

You can park a small car, and there's still space for bicycles in the garage. _____

The garage is empty now because Paige is painting some furniture. _____

The stairs to the basement need washing. _____

Paige doesn't know how the dog got in the basement. _____

In pairs, discuss the following questions:

Where do you keep old things? What do you keep in the basement or/and in the garage? Is there anything that you don't use anymore and still keep? (Why?)

5. 81.05 ► CONVERSATION

convenient—dogodny **negotiable**—do negocjacji **property**—nieruchomość

- client: Hello, I'm calling about the apartment for rent. Is it still available?
 agent: Good afternoon. Which apartment do you mean, ma'am? We operate many properties in the city.
 client: Oh. I mean the townhouse on 10th East Street. I'm just looking at your ad.
 agent: 10th East Street? Let me look. Well, you're lucky. There's only one left. It's on the corner of the street.
 client: Good. Is the rent negotiable?
 agent: I can negotiate a bit, but not much. I mean, almost all the other apartments on the street are already rented, and we've had calls about the last one.
 client: I understand. Could I arrange a time to see it?
 agent: Of course. I'm available until 5 pm today. Is that convenient for you?
 client: To be honest, I'm a bit busy today. I'd like to see the place tomorrow if you don't mind.
 agent: That is also fine with me. We open at 9 o'clock. I don't have any appointments in the morning.

6. SPEAKING

acceptable	consider	ideal	layout	lot	proximity
do przyjęcia	rozważyć	optymalny	plan, rozkład	działka	bliskość

Things to consider when buying a house

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| a) Price | f) Layout |
| b) Location (neighborhood) | g) Size of the lot |
| c) Age of property | h) Number of bedrooms |
| d) Home style | i) Proximity to work or school |
| e) Enough space | |

Work in pairs.

1. Think about your dream home. Discuss each item from the list and say what is ideal for you in each case. What would be acceptable? Which items on the list are more important to you? Which are less important?

2. Tell the class what your partner told you: *Chris could accept the price of \$500 000. Preferably, he would like to live near the sea, but he wouldn't mind a nice house in the suburbs of our city.*