

## Dialogue

A: John, hello. <sup>1</sup>Do you have a minute?

B: Sure, Mike. You seem to be in trouble. What's the matter?

A: Someone stole my laptop a week ago.

B: Oh no! What happened?

A: Actually, I was taking a bath, and I left my laptop over the study table, just like I always do. After, my bath, I noticed my laptop was gone! I'd probably forgotten to keep the door locked.

B: That's **dreadful!** Was your laptop the new one?

A: Of course! I bought it just few weeks ago. The worst thing is my report was saved at the laptop! <sup>2</sup>I'm losing my head!



## Useful Expressions

1 Can I talk to you for a moment?

Can I have a word with you?

Do you have a minute?

2 I'm gonna be crazy!

I'm gonna be insane.

## Grammar Focus

Using simple past and past continuous in telling past events.

### Simple Past

Use for an event that stops the ongoing past action

(Ex. He gave me flowers yesterday.)

### Past Continuous

Use for the ongoing action in the past (ex. was eating, were running)

Ex. The secretary was taking the important papers when the Boss arrived.

## Practice

Fill in the blanks with the correct verb tense:

While the divers \_\_\_\_ (work) off the coast of Florida, they \_\_\_\_

(discover) a shipwreck containing gold worth \$2 million. The divers

\_\_\_\_\_ (film) a show about the coral reef when they \_\_\_\_\_

(find) the gold.