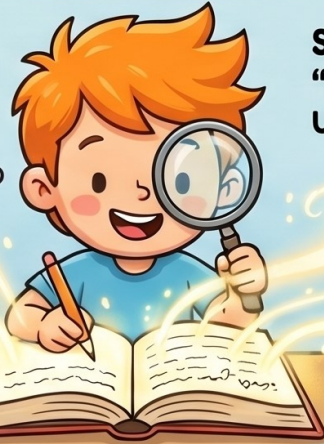


Level 6: Talking about the Past



Sharing Memories with “Zing”:
Use the **Simple Past** (e.g., played, woke up) to describe yesterday’s diary entries.

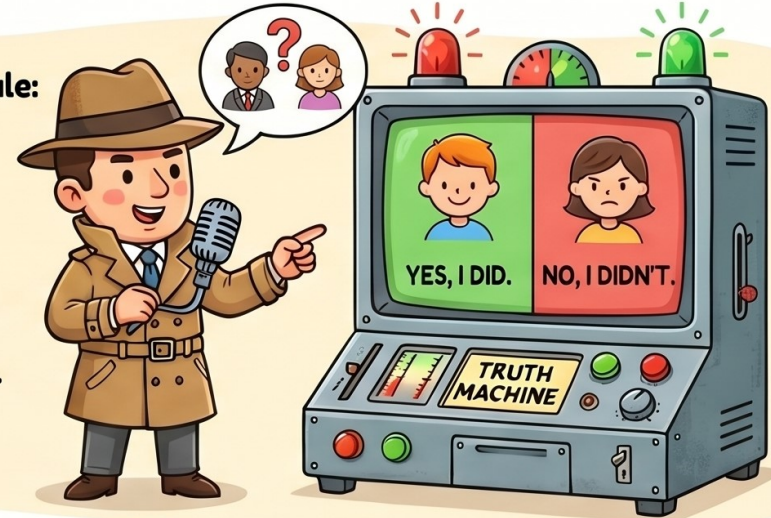
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The Detective’s “Did” Rule: Ask questions with “Did you...?” and answer with “Yes, I did” or “No, I didn’t.”

Truth vs. Lies: Use a “Truth Machine” visual to show if past actions are true (green) or false (red).



Alibis with “Was” and “Were”: Use “I was at the market” to explain where you were during the crime.

Actions in Progress: Combine “When” with “Was/Were + V-ing” to describe what happened when the phone rang (e.g., “I was running when the phone rang”).



“Used to” vs. “Now”: Contrast past habits with the present, like Miss Malice becoming the kind Alice (e.g., “She used to be mean, but now she is kind”).



Detective’s Past Grammar Clues		
Person	Past State (Be-verb)	Past Habit (Used to)
I / He / She	Was (e.g., I was tired)	Used to (e.g., She used to be moan)
You / We / They	Were (e.g., We were at school)	Used to (e.g., They used to play)