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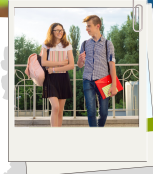
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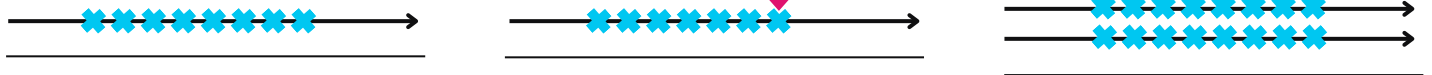
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3 Write the sentences under the correct timeline.



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| Rule | | S+ | Was/Were+ |

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- 3 They were eating dinner.

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- 6 He was watching tv at home.

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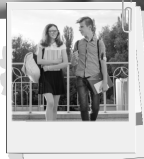
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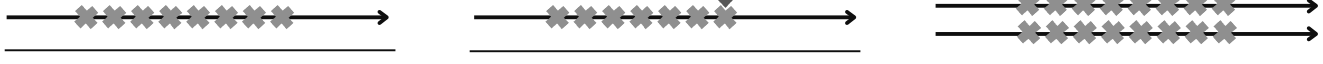
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