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Exercise 23

Review of the Past Progressive Tense

Fill in the spaces with the correct form of the verb in past progressive tense.

Tim is a firefighter. One Sunday, he (spend) _____ (1) some time at home with his family. He (play) _____ (2) a game with two of his daughters.

Tim noticed that his cell phone (ring) _____ (3), and that the fire alarm downtown (blare) _____ (4), too. He (not, feel) _____ (5) anxious to go put out a fire, but he went anyway.

While Tim (race) _____ (6) to the fire in his red pick-up truck, he heard on his police radio that a trailer (burn) _____ (7), and that a small boy (sleep) _____ (8) in one of its bedrooms. His mother could not get him out.

At the scene, policemen and firefighters (run) _____ (9) and yelling.

Most of the trailer (already, burn) _____ (10) by that time. Tim said he would go in through a bedroom window to get the boy. He (not, think) _____ (11) about his own safety at all. He wore a mask to protect against the smoke.

When Tim reached the boy, it appeared that the boy (still, breathe) _____ (12). Tim put his own mask on the boy and handed him out the window to the other firefighters. By the time Tim got out of the window, he (not, breathe) _____ (13) well on his own, and had to go to the hospital.

Tim got an award for bravery from the City Council at its next meeting. The members knew he (put) _____ (14) his life at risk when he went into that trailer.

