



In-text Grammar

We use **'when'** to link a longer action and a shorter action in the past. We use **'while'** to link two continuous actions that happened at the same time in the past.

e.g. Mum was washing the dishes **when** my little brother suddenly cried.

e.g. I was looking at the photos **while** Dad was telling me about them one by one.

Samantha is reading an excerpt of a play script.

Characters:

Mr Lam — a bank manager

PC Wong — a police constable

Mrs Ho — a middle-aged woman



Act 1 Scene 1: At the bank

PC Wong : Mr Lam, would you please tell me what happened?

Mr Lam : I was opening the bank's doors when three men rushed inside with guns. They smashed the windows with an axe and started putting some cash into a bag. I pressed the silent alarm in secret. Not paying attention to what happened, a customer mistakenly entered the bank when the men were leaving. They scared her away. I have the security camera video clips if you want to know more about the incident.

PC Wong : Yes, I would like to watch **them**. I need to take statements with that customer, too.

Act 1 Scene 2: At the police station

(A woman enters a room and sits down.)

PC Wong : Mrs Ho, please tell me everything about the robbery.

Mrs Ho : *(shaking)* Oh, it was terrible! I went to the bank to deposit some money. Just as I walked in, three men ran towards me and shouted at me. I saw their faces. One of the robbers looked like the pop singer, Daniel Kan.

PC Wong : Thank you, Mrs Ho. I need you to describe how they looked more specifically...



Choose the best answers by blackening the circles.



1. The play is about _____.

- A. a woman B. a robbery C. three men D. a bank

2. How does Mrs Ho feel when she talks to the police constable?

- A. frightened B. surprised
 C. upset D. exhausted



Q2

Read the stage directions for some hints.

3. What may happen next in Scene 2?

- A. The police constable may go to the bank and look for new clues.
 B. Mrs Ho may tell the police constable how the robbers' eyes look.
 C. The police constable may send the robbers to jail.
 D. Mrs Ho may go to hospital.



Q3

Read what the police constable asks Mrs Ho to do next.

4. Which is **FALSE** about the play script?

- A. The robbers were armed and dangerous.
 B. The robbers got away from the bank with some cash successfully.
 C. Mrs Ho didn't deposit any money in her account when the robbery happened.
 D. One of the robbers was Daniel Kan.

Fill in the blanks with the correct words.

5. When did the robbery take place?

The robbery took place in _____.

6. In the play script, what does the word '**them**' refer to?

It refers to _____.



Q5

What was the bank manager doing when the robbers entered the bank?

Fill in each blank with ONE word from the play script. Change the word form when necessary.

Yesterday, the police arrested three men for the ⑦ _____ (n.) at General Bank last week. The men were caught on CCTV footage and were recognised by some citizens in Lam Tin. The police searched their hiding place and found the missing

⑧ _____ (n.).