
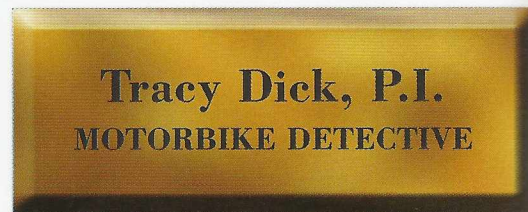


8c | Follow that car!

READING & LISTENING

- 1 Look at the advertisement. What does Tracy Dick do?
- 2  2.27 Tracy Dick is working for Mr Rogers, from the company Rogers and Lewis. Mr Rogers wants Tracy to follow his business partner, Mr Lewis. Read and listen to the story and put the pictures in the correct order. There is one extra picture.



Tracy: Mr Rogers, it's Tracy Dick here.
Mr Rogers: Yes?
Tracy: You asked me to call you. I'm outside your business partner's office now.
Mr Rogers: Oh, thank you. Jack doesn't leave work before 6 o'clock. And it's now only half past five.
Tracy: Well, Mr Rogers, Jack Lewis, your business partner, is leaving work now.

Mr Rogers: OK, Tracy. What is Jack doing now?
Tracy: He's taking a taxi.
Mr Rogers: A taxi! Jack hardly ever takes taxis. Interesting ... is the company paying for this, I wonder?
Tracy: Do you want me to follow him?
Mr Rogers: Yes, yes! Follow that car!

Tracy: Mr Rogers? I'm in the centre of the city.
Mr Rogers: Where's Jack?
Tracy: Mr Lewis is paying the taxi driver ... He's getting out of the taxi.
Mr Rogers: Where is he exactly?
Tracy: He's in front of a big office building. It says Edwards and Horn over the door.
Mr Rogers: Edwards and Horn! Our competition! I knew it. He's leaving our company!


Tracy: He's not going into the office. He's going into a café.
Mr Rogers: A secret meeting. It's a secret meeting. Tracy, I need to know what he says!
Tracy: I'm going to get closer.
Mr Rogers: Phone me back, please.

Mr Rogers: Hello?
Tracy: I'm just outside the café. Mr Lewis is sitting at a table.
Mr Rogers: What is he doing?
Tracy: He's meeting a middle-aged man. I think ...
Mr Rogers: That's it! I'm going over there now! He's not going to give any of OUR secrets to Edwards and Horn!

Tracy: Wait! I think ...




3 Read the story again. Choose the correct phrases to complete the sentences.

- 1 Mr Lewis usually leaves work ...
 - a) at 6 o'clock.
 - b) at 5.30 pm.
 - 2 He hardly ever ...
 - a) goes by bus.
 - b) takes a taxi.
 - 3 Tracy Dick follows ...
 - a) the taxi.
 - b) the motorbike.
 - 4 Mr Rogers ...
 - a) knows the big office building.
 - b) doesn't know the big office building.
 - 5 Mr Lewis ...
 - a) is meeting a man.
 - b) is having lunch.
 - 6 Mr Rogers ...
 - a) is going to the café.
 - b) is leaving the café.
 - 7 Tracy Dick ...
 - a) is talking to Mr Lewis.
 - b) is watching Mr Lewis.
- 4 Work in pairs. What do you think is happening? Who is Mr Lewis meeting? Tell your partner.
- 5  2.28 Listen to the end of the story. Were you correct?

VOCABULARY: collocations (transport)

1 Underline the correct word.

- 1 Can you *ride* / *drive* a motorbike?
- 2 Can you *ride* / *drive* a car?
- 3 How often do you *take* / *ride* a taxi?
- 4 Do you *take* / *drive* the train to work?

2  2.29 Listen to the recording to check your answers.

3 Work in pairs. Ask and answer the questions in exercise 1.


GRAMMAR: present simple vs present continuous

Use the present simple to say what we usually do.

He goes to work by bus every day.

Use the present continuous to say what we are doing now.

He's taking a taxi now.

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1 Decide if these sentences are present simple (PS) or present continuous (PC). Write PS or PC in the space.

- 1 Jack Lewis is leaving work now. _____
- 2 What is he doing? _____
- 3 He's taking a taxi. _____
- 4 He hardly ever takes taxis. _____
- 5 He's not going into the office. _____

2 Complete the conversation. Put the verbs in brackets into the present simple or the present continuous.

Jack: So, what (1) _____ you (2) _____? (do)

Tracy: I'm a private detective.

Jack: That's interesting. (3) _____ you (4) _____ (work) now?

Tracy: Yes, I am. At the moment I (5) _____ (follow) a man.

Jack: How exciting! Is he in this café?


Tracy: Yes, he is. Right now he (6) _____ (talk) with a woman.

Jack: So ... who asked you to follow this man?

Tracy: I can't tell you. He (7) _____ (wait) for me to call him now.

Jack: Well, my brother and I are (8) _____ (have) a coffee. Would you like to join us?

Tracy: No, thank you. I'm (9) _____ (leave).

3  2.28 Listen to the recording to check your answers. Work in pairs. Read the dialogue with your partner.

SPEAKING

1 Work in pairs, A and B.

A: Turn to page 137.

B: Turn to page 133.

