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GRAMMAR Past continuous

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	No,		wasn't.
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	No,		weren't.

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2 What was happening yesterday afternoon? Complete the sentences with the past continuous form of the verbs.

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'Yes, she was.'
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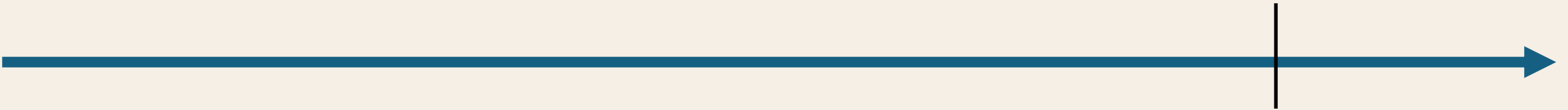
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I was at the sports centre.
I was swimming with my mum.

Today, You heard the story about Yeti.

today



The climbers saw Yeti in the past.



past

today

What did the explorers see in the Himalia?

past

today

They saw the footprints in the snow.

When did they start walking?

When they saw a line of footprints.

When did they see the footprints?

When they were walking.

Did they continue walking afterwards?

Yes

past

continues

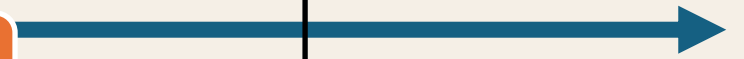
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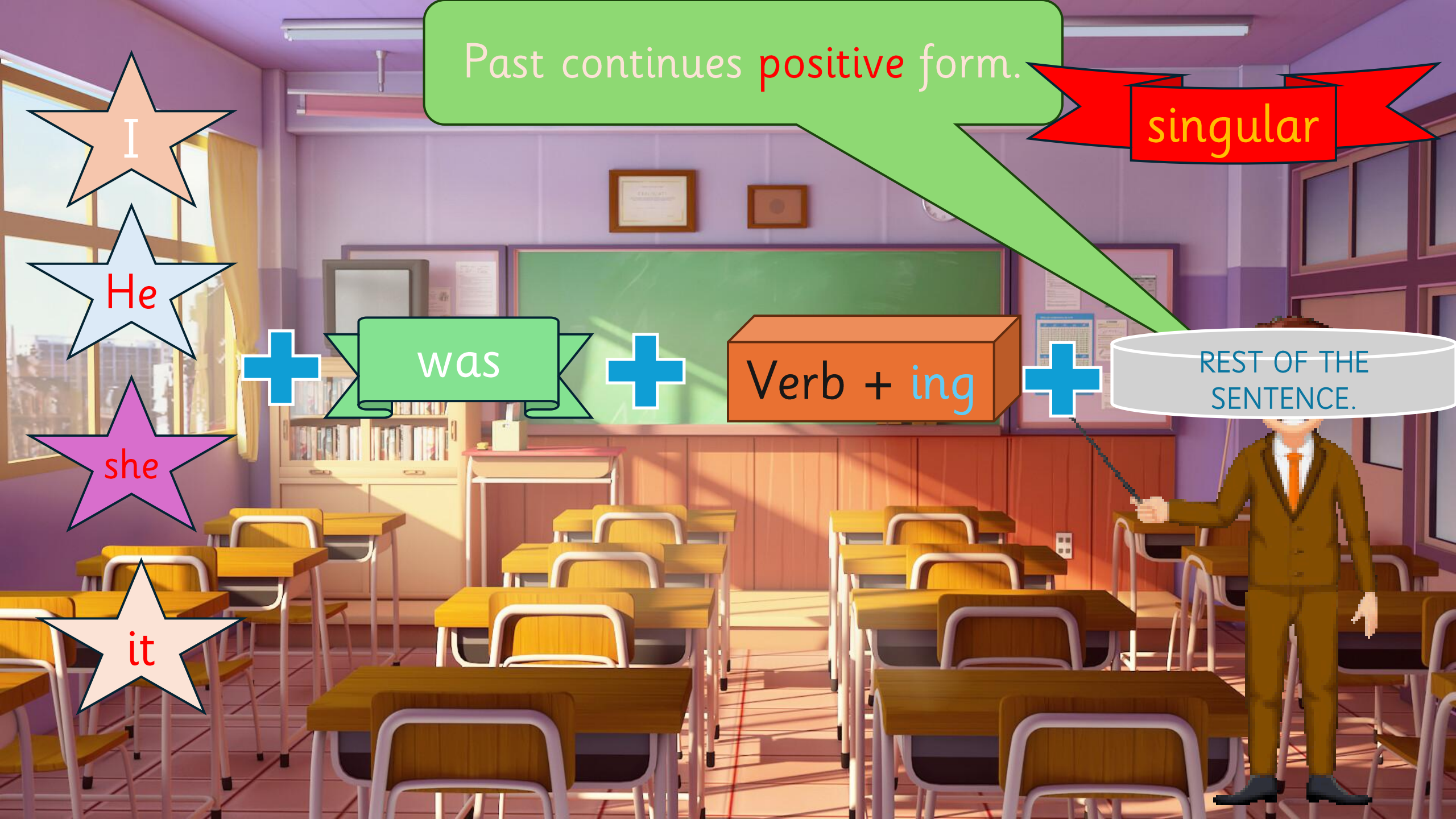
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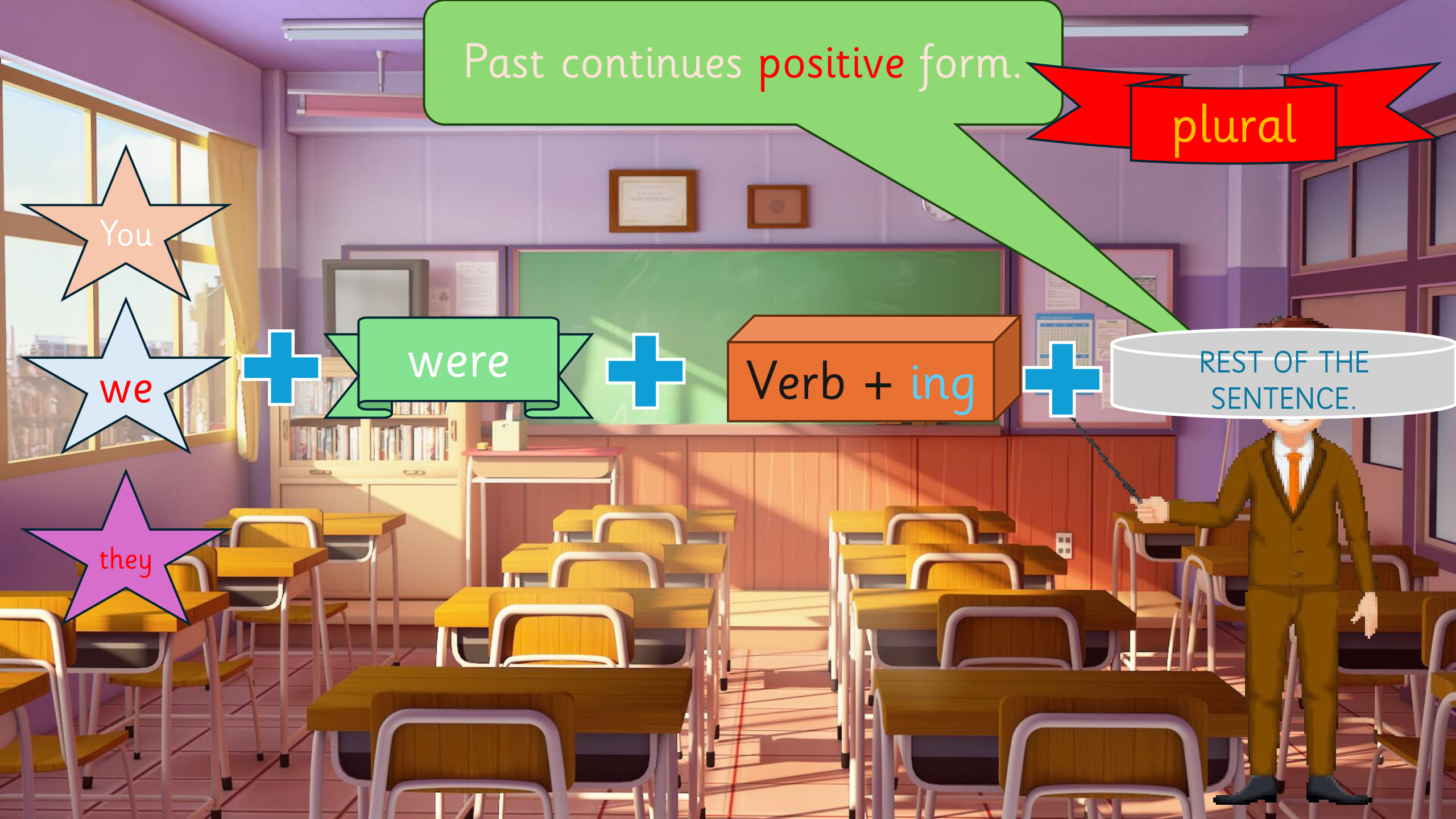
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Was he climbing that day?

Was

he

climbing

that day?



Yes

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he

was



No

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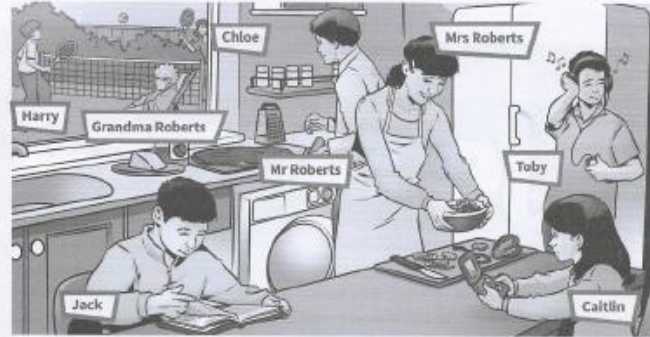
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THANK YOU

1 Look at the picture and correct the sentences below.



- 0 Mr and Mrs Roberts were eating pizza.
They weren't eating pizza. They were making pizza.
- 1 Caitlin was doing her homework.

- 2 Jack was playing the piano.

- 3 Toby was reading a magazine.

- 4 Chloe and Harry were playing football.

- 5 Grandma Roberts was standing up.

2 Write questions in the past continuous.

- 0 Michael / watch / TV last night / ?
Was Michael watching TV last night?
- 1 he / help / his / parents / ?

- 2 Tia and Karl / swim / in the sea / ?

- 3 they / do / their homework / ?

- 4 your friend / play / volleyball / ?

- 5 you / read / a book / ?

3 Complete the short answers.

- 0 Was Mia doing her homework last night?
 Yes, *she was*.
- 1 Were Katie and Alex having lunch at 2 o'clock?
 No, _____.
- 2 Were you reading a book in class today?
 Yes, _____.
- 3 Was Mrs Brown writing on the board?
 No, _____.
- 4 Were they sleeping at midnight?
 Yes, _____.
- 5 Was William eating an ice cream?
 No, _____.

4 Correct the mistakes in three of the sentences. Which two are correct?

- 1 I was enjoying my birthday party last week.

- 2 What were you doing yesterday at 4 pm?

- 3 I went to the cinema yesterday.

- 4 I liked it because was playing my favourite team.

- 5 When we were on holiday, we were swimming every day.

VOCABULARY The weather

1 Write the nouns of the weather words.

- | | | | |
|----------|--------------|---------|-------|
| 0 cloudy | <i>cloud</i> | 4 snowy | _____ |
| 1 foggy | _____ | 5 sunny | _____ |
| 2 icy | _____ | 6 windy | _____ |
| 3 rainy | _____ | | |

2 Complete the sentences with nouns and adjectives in Exercise 1.

- 1 We often go snowboarding when there is _____ in the mountains.
- 2 It's very _____ in the north of Europe so take your umbrella when you go there.
- 3 The street is very _____ because the temperature is -1 °C, so walk carefully!
- 4 There was a lot of _____ so I couldn't see the end of the garden from my window.
- 5 I love _____ weather when I can go to the beach and swim.