## Nightmare!

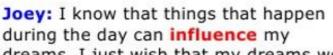
Mom: What's the matter, Joey? Why aren't you in bed?

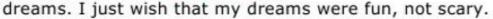
Joey: I had a bad dream! A monster was chasing me, and it was trying to bite me!

Mom: Calm down! It was just a nightmare.

Joey: Why do I always have nightmares? Is there something wrong with me?

Mom: Don't panic. There are lots of reasons why some people have nightmares. Maybe you have nightmares because you have a lot of school pressure.







- Why do people have nightmares? What usually happens in nightmares?
- What are some reasons that people might panic?
- Do you have a lot of pressure? What gives you pressure?
- What are some things that influence your behavior?
  - What are some good influences?
  - > What are some bad influences?

Fill in the blanks below with words from the dialogue above.

There's	with my motorcycle; it won't start!	
Many people	when they feel an earthquake.	
Steve has a lot of	because he has an important test tomorrow.	
My mother doesn't wa	nt me to play with Roger, because she says he is a bad	
on me.		
A was o	chasing me in my!	

Look at the story below. It uses the **Past Continuous Tense** to talk about things that were happening at some time in the past.

## I Can't Stop Laughing!

Mickey was in a strange mood yesterday. He was laughing all day, and nobody knew why. He was laughing during breakfast, and his parents didn't know why. He was laughing when he went

to school, and his friends didn't know why. At night, he was still laughing while he was writing his homework. "Why are you laughing?" his mother asked him. "I can't stop laughing because I can't stop thinking about this really funny joke," Mickey said, "but I wish I could stop, because my stomach really hurts!"



Now, use the **Past Continuous Tense** to write a story like the one above. Instead of "laughing," you can write "sleeping," "dancing," "singing," crying," or something else.
