

# English in Use



- Lay and Lie



# Look at the differences

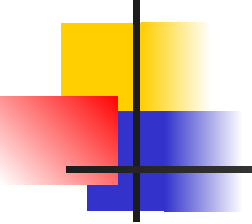
- **Lay** – to put or place
- **Lie** – to be in a particular position
- **Lie** – to say sth. that is not true





**Now look at the table**





infinitive	lay
past	laid
past participle	laid
present participle	laying
meaning	to put or place
object	yes





infinitive	lie
past	lay
past participle	lain
present participle	lying
meaning	to be in a particular position
object	no



infinitive	lie
past	lied
past participle	lied
present participle	lying
meaning	to say sth. that is not true
object	no





infinitive	lay	lie	lie
past	laid	lay	lied
past participle	laid	lain	lied
present participle	laying	lying	lying
meaning	To put or place	To be in a partic. position	To say sth. That is not true
object	yes	no	no



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# Examples





# Lay

- The mourners laid the flowers on the grave



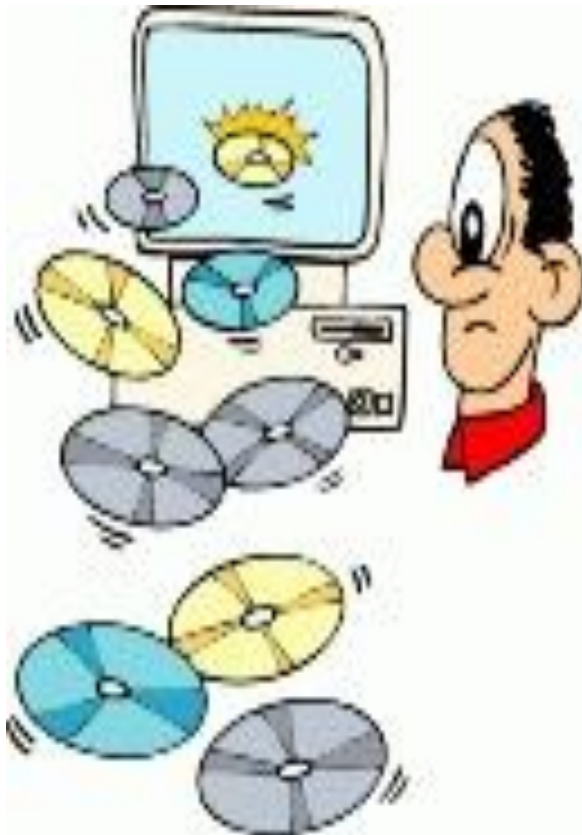
# Lie

- The book was lying open on the table



# Lie

- Don't ever lie to me again!



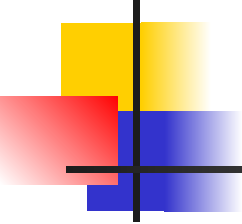


# Exercise

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- Complete the sentences with the correct form of appropriate verb – **lay**, **lie**, **lie**



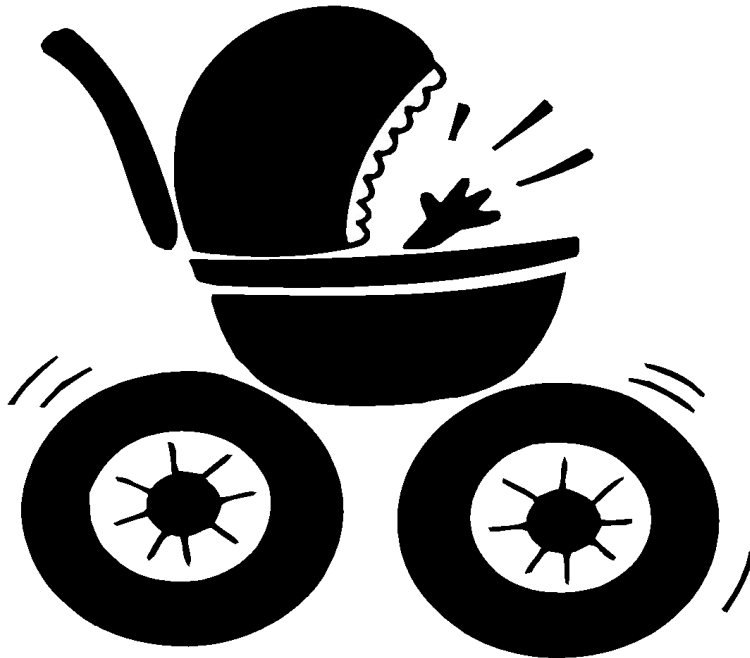


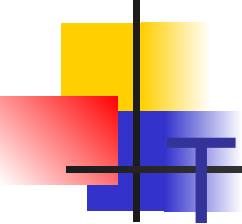
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There's nothing more relaxing  
than ..... on the beach  
sunbathing.



Lesly was furious when she  
discovered her boyfriend had  
been ..... to her.





The bricks were ..... one  
on top of the other.





If you're feeling tired, why  
don't you go and ..... down.



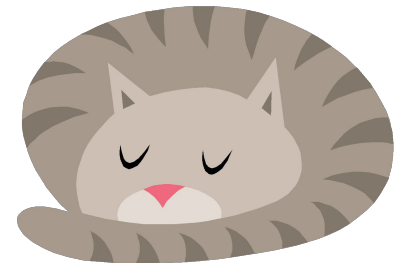
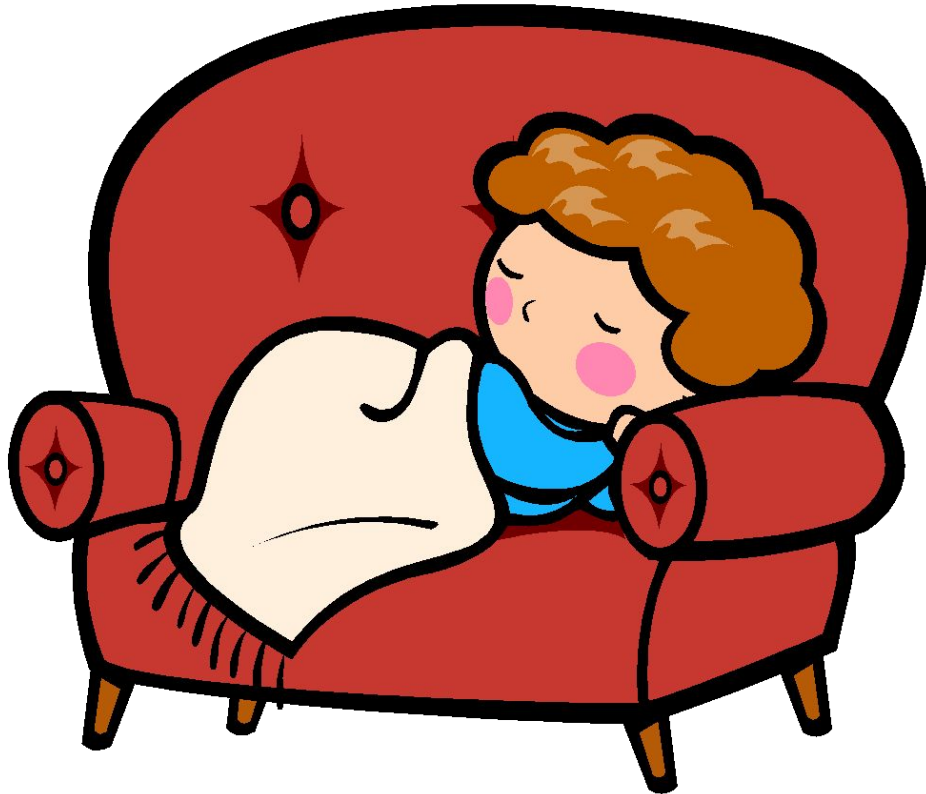


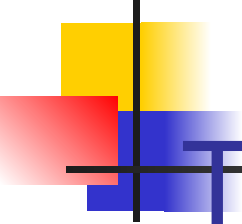
The prisoner was forced to  
..... in order to protect his  
family.





Martha ..... her head on  
the pillow and fell asleep at  
once.



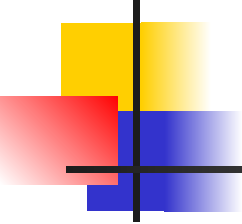


The businessman was accused  
of ..... to the investigating  
committee.



The thrill of being archeologist  
is finding objects that have  
..... buried in the earth for  
centuries.





Don't spend the afternoon  
..... around doing nothing –  
do something constructive!



The children ..... the table  
for tea.





**THANK  
YOU**

**Goodbye!**