TOPIC 2 TEST

I. Complete the sentences using the correct form of the verbs in brackets. Use past simple or past continuous.

1. I got to the post office just before it closed and _____ the letter (send)
2. Ted _____ his guitar at half past seven. (play)
3. Everyone _____ that it was Bill's fault, but nobody said anything. (know)
4. At midnight, I _____ (sleep), but Jane _____ (listen) to music.
5. We invited Stephanie to the party, but she _____. (not come)
6. Luke _____ (stand) outside the bank when suddenly two robbers ran past him.
7. Do you remember the time we _____ to India on holiday? (go)
8. _____ (you have) a shower when the earthquake happened?
9. Karen _____ the keys from the kitchen table and ran out the door. (take)
10. Jack lost his job because he _____ too many mistakes. (make)
11. Penny _____ to catch the bus when she slipped and fell. (run)
12. When you saw Eugene, _____ (he go) home?
13. What were we doing at midnight? Erm… we _____ (watch) a DVD, I think.
14. I was bored, so Mum _____ me some money to go shopping. (give)
15. I know Doug _____ (work) late at the office because I saw him when I was leaving.
16. It started raining, but luckily I _____ an umbrella in my bag. (have)

II. Circle the correct word or phrase.

1. When we were in Canada, we **went / were going** skiing almost every day.
2. About four years ago, I **decided / was deciding** to become a chef.
3. Georgia **had / was having** a shower when someone knocked at the door.
4. Holly and I ran from the house to the taxi because it **rained / was raining** heavily.
5. Two men **argued / were arguing** outside, so I went to see what was happening.
6. Daniel **called / was calling** you at one o'clock yesterday, but you were here with me.
7. We **ate / were eating** breakfast when a letter came through the letter box.
8. As I walked past the window, I saw that Paula **made / was making** a cake.
9. I **dreamt / was dreaming** about my favourite band when the alarm clock went off.
10. While I **practised / was practising** the trumpet late last night, a neighbor came to complain.

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III. Complete the sentences with one word in each gap.

1. I was watching TV _____ suddenly someone shouted my name.
2. You _____ not at the party last night. Why not?
3. I was doing my homework _____ my brother was practising the piano.
4. While I _____ walking home, I lost my phone.
5. A: You stayed out until three o'clock! What were you _____?
   B: I was _____ video games at Simon's house.
6. A: What _____ you do at the weekend?
   B: I _____ to the cinema. I _____ that new horror film. It's terrifying!

IV. Complete using the correct past simple or past continuous form of the verbs in the box.

answer	be	continue	get	go	have	open
practise	put ring	say	shine	sing	wake	

AMBER'S BIG MATCH

One morning, Amber (1) _____ up early. The sun (2) _____ and the birds (3) _____. Amber (4) _____ very excited because it was the day of the big tennis match.

Amber (5) _____ downstairs and into the kitchen, where her father (6) _____ breakfast.

'Morning, Amber. Today's the day!" he (7) _____. Amber smiled nervously. 'Don't worry!' he (8) _____. 'You'll be fine.'

Amber (9) _____ some toast into the toaster and (10) _____ the fridge. Just as she (11) _____ the butter out, the phone (12) _____. Her father (13) _____ it. After a few minutes, he put the phone down.

'Bad news, I'm afraid. The other player (14) _____ yesterday when she had an accident. The match is off.'

Amber ate her toast slowly. She was surprised she didn't feel disappointed.

V. Complete using the correct form of *used to*. You may have to use some negative forms.

1. When I was younger, I _____ eat pizza almost every day!
2. _____ there _____ be a supermarket on the coner?
3. Bradley is a teacher, but he _____ want to be a train driver.
4. I _____ like eating cabbage, but now I love it!
5. _____ Rick _____ have blond hair when he was a little boy?

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6. I know Lily _____ cook much, but now I think she makes dinner every day.

VI. Complete the second sentence so it means the same as the first. Use the word in bold.

1. People were very hard-working in the past.

used

People _____ in the past.

2. Dad told us stories when we were young.

would

Dad _____ when we were young.

3. There weren't any buildings here ten years ago.

use

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VII. Lorna Bright is a long-distance walker. Look at this part of her diary describing a morning's walk along the coast. Write the missing words. Use one word only in each space.

It was a fine day (0)___*when*___ I started out on the last part of my walk around the coast of Britain. The sun was (1) _____, and a light wind (2) _____ blowing from the south- west. I was pleased that it (3) _____ raining. I knew by now that I (4) _____ like rain. In fact I (5) _____it.

I (6) _____ along the cliff top and then down into the lovely little fishing village of Wellburn, past a cafe where people (7) _____ having morning coffee. Three miles past Wellburn I (8) _____ down for five minutes and (9) _____ a drink. Now it (10) _____ getting warmer, so I (11) _____ off one of my sweaters. I (12) _____ stop for long because I (13) _____ to reach Seabury by lunch-time. (14) _____ I finally got there, it (15) _____ just after half past twelve.

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