

Simple present Vs past progressive

Instructions. GRAMMAR. Put the verbs in brackets into the past continuous or the past simple.

- A. Steve 1) _____ (have) a car accident yesterday. He 2) _____ (drive) his car when a bird 3) _____ (fly) into the windscreen. He 4) _____ (try) to stop quickly but he 5) _____ (crash) into a wall. Luckily, he 6) _____ (not/be) hurt.
- B. Last week, I 1) _____ (go) to a talk by a famous writer. He 2) _____ (talk) about his new book when I 3) _____ (arrive). He 4) _____ (give) such an interesting talk that I 5) _____ (be) disappointed when it 6) _____ (end).
- C. Julie 1) _____ (tidy) her bedroom last weekend. While she 2) _____ (tidy) it, she 3) _____ (find) some of the toys she 4) _____ (have) when she was a child. She 5) _____ (not/want) to throw them away, so she 6) _____ (put) them in a box and 7) _____ (store) them in the attic.

Instructions. GRAMMAR. Put the verbs in brackets into the past continuous or the past simple. Then, put the pictures in the correct order.

- It 1) _____ (be) a beautiful spring morning when Emma and her father 2) _____ (decide) to visit Seaton Castle. The sun 3) _____ (shine) and the birds 4) _____ (sing). Emma 5) _____ (feel) very excited. The castle 6) _____ (be) very old and made of stone. They 7) _____ (climb) the steps to the top of the tower. While they 8) _____ (admire) the view, they 9) _____ (hear) some noises. They 10) _____ (look) around but they 11) _____ (not/see) anybody. "That's funny", said Emma. "I 12) _____ (think) I 13) _____ (see) someone standing over there". After a while they 14) _____ (decide) to visit the cellar of the castle. Emma 15) _____ (examine) an old barrel when she 16) _____ (hear) the door of the cellar close behind them. "Dad", she 17) _____ (say), "don't close the door!" "But, I 18) _____ (not/close) it, dear", her father said. Emma 19) _____ (turn) around and 20) _____ (see) a shadow on the wall. She 21) _____ (know) then that the ghost of Seaton Castle 22) _____ (watch) them!

