

## Past Tenses

### Simple or progressive

1. It \_\_\_\_\_ (rain) when we  
\_\_\_\_\_ (come) out of the shopping centre.
2. It \_\_\_\_\_ (happen) very quickly. The car  
\_\_\_\_\_ (come) out of the side road and  
then the van \_\_\_\_\_ (drive) into the back  
of it.
3. I \_\_\_\_\_ (be) ill last week.
4. He \_\_\_\_\_ (break) his leg when he  
\_\_\_\_\_ (ski).
5. I \_\_\_\_\_ (look) out of the window and  
saw that people \_\_\_\_\_ (walk) in the park.
6. Emma \_\_\_\_\_ (pass) her exam a few  
weeks ago.
7. When we \_\_\_\_\_ (see) the spaceship we  
\_\_\_\_\_ (stop) the car.
8. When \_\_\_\_\_ (you buy) the car? - I  
\_\_\_\_\_ (buy) it a few years ago.
9. He \_\_\_\_\_ (sit) in the garden when a  
wasp \_\_\_\_\_ (sting) him in the nose.

10. Claire \_\_\_\_\_ (go) to Egypt last month.

11. She \_\_\_\_\_ (have) a beautiful dream  
when the alarm clock \_\_\_\_\_ (ring).

12. The car \_\_\_\_\_ (stop) at the lights.

13. We \_\_\_\_\_ (drive) home in the middle  
of the night when we \_\_\_\_\_ (see) a flashing light.

14. Soft music \_\_\_\_\_ (play) when I  
\_\_\_\_\_ (go) into the room.

15. \_\_\_\_\_ (you buy) that bag while I  
\_\_\_\_\_ (look) after the children?

16. It \_\_\_\_\_ (be) peaceful and the birds  
\_\_\_\_\_ (sing).

17. Was \_\_\_\_\_ (Jimmy, already wait)  
for you when you \_\_\_\_\_ (get) there?

18. I \_\_\_\_\_ (ring) at about 3 o'clock  
yesterday, but you \_\_\_\_\_ (not pick) up  
the phone. - What \_\_\_\_\_ (you do)?

- I \_\_\_\_\_ (help) Dad in the garden so I  
probably \_\_\_\_\_ (not hear) it.

19. I \_\_\_\_\_ (lie) in the bath when the  
phone \_\_\_\_\_ (ring). It  
\_\_\_\_\_ (stop) after a few rings.

20. It \_\_\_\_\_ (be) cold when we  
\_\_\_\_\_ (leave) the house that day.