

SIMPLE PAST OR PAST CONTINUOUS

A- Complete the following sentences with the PAST CONTINUOUS form of the verbs in parenthesis:

1. Some teenagers _____ (stay) at the hotel.
2. Yesterday at 11 o'clock Jane _____ (watch) television.
3. Carol and Dennis _____ (have) dinner.
4. _____ (George/ wait) for the bus?
5. They _____ (not/ drive) very fast.
6. Carol _____ (wear) a beautiful dress at the party.
7. They _____ (not /go out) together.
8. _____ (Susan /look) at Dr Morgan?
9. _____ (her parents /talk) about her?
10. I _____ (not/ write).

B- Put the verbs into the correct tense: PAST SIMPLE or PAST CONTINUOUS

1. I _____ (see) the thief just as he _____ (run) away.
2. The accident took place when she _____ (have) a driving lesson.
3. The driver _____ (kill) the dog because he _____ (not /watch) the road.
4. I _____ (wash) my hair when my friend Alice _____ (arrive).
5. While she _____ (sing), I _____ (play) the piano.
6. She _____ (be) very happy when she _____ (find) her ring.
7. When he heard the joke, he _____ (laugh).
8. I _____ (walk) along the street when I _____ (see) the crowd.
9. She fell when she _____ (run) down the street.
10. They read the report while they _____ (wait) for the bus.

C- Put the verbs into the correct form: PAST CONTINUOUS or PAST SIMPLE

Example: While Tom was cooking (cook) dinner, the phone rang (ring).

- 1- George _____ (fall) off the ladder while he _____ (paint) his room.
- 2- Last night I _____ (read) in bed when I _____ (hear) a strange noise.
- 3- _____ (you/ watch) TV when I _____ (phone) you?
- 4- Ann _____ (wait) for me when I _____ (arrive).
- 5- Tom _____ (take) a photo of me while I _____ (not / look).
- 6- We _____ (not /go) out because it _____ (rain).
- 7- I _____ (break) a plate last night. I _____ (do) the washing up when it _____ (slip) out of my hand.