

Practice the *Past Continuous* with the *Simple Past*.

A. We use both together when one action interrupts another

B. We use both when one action is long and the other is short.

**Complete the following sentences using the correct form of the past progressive tense of the verbs provided in brackets.**

1. They were standing on the corner when I saw them.  
(stand)
2. The sun shone when I woke up this morning.  
(shine)
3. It rained when I left the office.  
(rain)
4. I was eating dinner when you called me.  
(eat)
5. She got very sick while she was traveling overseas.  
(travel)
6. Martin was working in the garden when it started to rain.  
(work)
7. I was cooking dinner when the phone rang.  
(cook)
8. Mr. Johnson cut himself while he was shaving.  
(shave)
9. She fell asleep while she was watching the movie.  
(watch)
10. Andrea broke her ankle when she was skating.  
(skate)
11. While I was driving home, I saw a bad accident.  
(drive)
12. She found a ten dollar bill while she was walking home.  
(walk)
13. They were speeding when the accident happened.  
(speed)
14. The baby was sleeping when we got home from the party.  
(sleep)
15. She broke a plate while she was doing the dishes.  
(do)
16. When you called, I was taking a shower.  
(take)
17. David met his neighbors while he was moving into his new apartment.  
(move)