

Grammar

a. Complete the sentences with the verbs in parentheses in the past continuous.

1. You _____ (*laugh*) when I took the photo.
2. It _____ (*snow*) when our plane landed.
3. We _____ (*not drive*) fast when the accident happened.
4. What _____ (*he / do*) when his boss arrived ?
5. Why _____ (*you / cry*) at the party ?
6. I _____ (*sit*) on the bus when I saw my boss.
7. They _____ (*live*) in Brazil when their first child was born.
8. He didn't call you because his cellphone _____ (*not work*).

b. Write sentences with **when**. Use the simple past and past continuous.

1. They / argue / the waiter / bring / the check.
They were arguing when the waiter brought the check.
2. The children / play / video games / the guests / arrive

3. We / have / a barbecue / it / start / to rain

4. I / finish / my report / my computer / crash

c. Complete the story with the simple past or past continuous.

Last summer, I _____ (*go*) to Los Angeles to stay with my cousin for a few weeks. One afternoon, we _____ (*have*) lunch in a nice restaurant when my cousin _____ (*get*) a call on her cell phone and went outside to talk. While she _____ (*speak*) to her friend, I suddenly _____ (*notice*) a man in a black hat who _____ (*sit*) at the next table. It was the actor Johnny Depp ! He was alone, and I _____ (*decide*) to take my chance. So, I got up and _____ (*go*) to his table. « Excuse me, could I have my photo taken with you? I asked. He _____ (*say*) yes, so I _____ (*stop*) a waitress who _____ (*pass*) by and gave her my camera. She _____ (*take*) the photo of me and Johnny. I thanked them both, and then I returned to my table. When my cousin _____ (*come*) back, I _____ (*smile*).
"Why are you looking so happy?" she asked.
"I had my photo taken with Johnny Depp."
"Johnny Depp ? Where is he ?"
"He's sitting over there. Look!"
She turned around to look and then started to laugh.
"That's not Johnny Depp!"
I _____ (*look*) at the man in the black hat – he _____ (*laugh*), too.