



Present simple	PAST SIMPLE	PAST CONTINUOUS
I carry		
You play		
He runs		
We live		
They travel		
The dog gets		
Children see		

Complete the sentences with the past continuous

Mr Smith (cook) dinner in the kitchen. He (talk) to his wife. Mrs Smith (wash) the vegetables for the salad.

Suzie was in her bedroom. She (not do) her homework. She (chat) to her friend on the phone.

What (her brother/do)? Robin and his friend Paul (surf) the Internet. They (do) a project for school but they liked it. They (look for) information about dinosaurs.

Max (not watch) TV. He (study) for his History test.

Choose the correct answer

A week ago, John **walked** / **was walking** towards the bus stop on his way home from school when he **was seeing** / **saw** something silver in the grass. It was some money – old silver coins! He picked them up, and while he **looked** / **was looking** at them, his bus came. He **got** / **was getting** on the bus and sat down. When he **arrived** / **was arriving** home, his dad **worked** / **was working** on his old laptop. He asked his dad to find the coins on the Internet. His dad's laptop was quite slow, and at first he couldn't find anything about the coins. But when he finally **was finding** / **found** them, they had a great surprise: the coins were very valuable! Now John wants to sell them and buy his dad a new laptop!

Complete with WHEN, WHILE or AS

- I was looking for this DVD I found your MP3 player.
- Jim arrived at the party, everyone was dancing.
- I was listening to music I was running.
- It started raining we were playing tennis.
- The students were making a noise the teacher came into the classroom.
- I was cycling to school, I fell off my bike.
- Dad went into the garden, he saw a cat.
- He was reading a book his sister was playing the piano.
- Kate fell off her bike she was cycling to school.
- she was waiting for the bus, someone stole her bag

Complete with past simple or past continuous

- Lucy (watch) TV when the lights (go out).
- I (run) towards the bus stop when the bus (arrive).
- Tim and Jack (break) a window while they (play) football in the garden.
- I (drop) my knife and fork on the floor while I (have) dinner at the restaurant.
- While my neighbours (sleep), a thief (come) into their house.
- I (see) an accident while I (wait) for a bus.
- While he (sing) a romantic song to me, my phone (ring).
- I (break) my glasses when I (play) tennis.
- I (met) my boyfriend and I (wear) my new dress.

Choose the correct words

- 1 Mr Evans was working in the garden when / while Mrs Evans came home.
- 2 The children were watching TV when / while they heard a noise outside.
- 3 I went upstairs when / while you were helping Mum in the kitchen.
- 4 While / When we were having dinner, my uncle called.
- 5 While / When I was swimming, I saw a shark.
- 6 Amanda was washing the glass when / while she broke it.
- 7 While / When we saw Josh and Emma, they were waiting for a bus.
- 8 We left the party when / while you were dancing.

Cumulative Review. Complete the text

While I (work) in my garden last year something amazing (happen)! I (dig) in the soil when I (find) something hard. I (dig) up the area and I (see) something shiny. I (pick) it up. It was a coin! I (continue) digging and (find) more of them. There (be) forty in total. But my luck (not/stop) there because after that I (find) something else; a ceramic vase! I (take) my treasure to my local museum. They told me the coins and vase (be) Roman and were from the 3rd Century AD. They are now in the museum so other people can see them. I (use) to think gardening was boring... but not now!

Sightseeing in London

While the teachers (sit) in a café, some students (take) the Tube to London Bridge. Then they (walk) across the bridge and (take) some photos. Three girls (go) to the London Eye. They (walk) there? No, they . They (take) the bus. While they (ride) on the bus, one girl suddenly (notice) that she (not have) her mobile any more. She (be) shocked, but luckily they (find) it under her seat. Sandra and Michelle (want) to go to Madame Tussaud's. But when they (arrive) there, hundreds of people (stand) in a queue. So the girls (go) shopping at Harrod's. While they were (look) for a souvenir, Ed Sheeran (come) into the room. They couldn't believe their eyes. He (say) "Hello" and (start) singing a beautiful new song. Everybody (sing) and (take) pictures of him. When he (finish) his song everybody (clap) enthusiastically. We even (talk) to him and he (be) really nice. Wow! Best day of our lives!

