



Past simple - past continuous III

1 Complete the sentences with was, wasn't, were or weren't to make the past continuous.

- 1 Last night I _____ in bed until late. (no)
- 2 We _____ swimming yesterday on the island. (yes)
- 3 My dad _____ working. He was on holiday.
- 4 My sister _____ skiing because it was too hot.
- 5 It was sunny so my friends _____ playing football.
- 6 _____ you eating last night?

2 Complete the sentences with the verbs in brackets in the -ing form to make the past continuous.

- 1 _____ (play) football at 5 pm last Saturday? Yes, I was.
- 2 I usually study on Sunday but last Sunday I _____ (watch) TV.
- 3 What were your friends _____ (do) yesterday? I didn't see them anywhere on the island.
- 4 We were _____ (ski) last weekend on the mountain in the snow.
- 5 The party was excellent. I _____ (wear) my red dress and everybody loved it.
- 6 The water was cold. Jo wasn't _____.

3 Match the beginnings and endings of the sentences and question.

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| Last weekend we were skiing while | | copying in the exam! |
| My sister was helping me tidy the house | | so she didn't go to the cinema. |
| What were you doing yesterday | | my sister was snowboarding. |
| I was afraid because we | | were climbing a very high mountain. |
| The teacher said she was | | walking fast. |
| It was very sunny so we weren't | | when I saw you in the shopping centre? |

4 Click the correct option, A, B or C.

1 Last summer I hurt my leg while I was .

run running ran

2 My teachers correcting our exams all day yesterday.

were was to

3 He wasn't swimming. He was in the field!

walk to walk walking

4 Were you mountains last weekend?

climb climbed climbing

5 They were eating and all night at the party.

dance dancing danced

6 We skiing yesterday because there was no snow.

aren't weren't wasn't

5.- Click the correct options.

I fell asleep while I **studied / was studying**.

My friends were looking after a rabbit until their friend **returned / was returning** home.

The lion was sleeping when I **saw / was seeing** it at the zoo.

What **were you doing / did** you do when I phoned?

I **wasn't watching / didn't watch** the lion when it woke up.

The penguins **were eating / ate** and the dolphins were jumping when we arrived.

The teacher **was picking up / picked up** a pen while the students were doing their exam,

6.- Complete the sentences with the verbs in brackets in the past simple or past continuous.

1 The teacher arrived while we **were copying** (copy) our homework.

2 The dog _____ (run) around the park when it saw the cat.

3 My baby brother was crying all morning until we _____ (turn on) the TV.

4 While Susan _____ (study), her phone rang.

5 Somebody _____ (pick up) my phone while I wasn't looking.

6 What other animals did you see while the lions _____ (sleep)?

7 The children cried a lot while we _____ (look after) them

7.- Click the correct option, A or B.

1 I was feeding my rabbit when my phone... **rang. / was ringing.**

2 What was the baby doing when his mum... **come in? / came in?**

3 We were surprised when we saw everyone... **was sitting in silence. / sat in silence.**

4 Juan didn't say anything when he saw his friend... **left. / was leaving.**

5 My best friend was crying because... **were breaking her phone. / her sister broke her phone.**

6 When the teacher came in, the students. **weren't working. / weren't work.**

7 The girl fell and hurt her leg while she... **ran after the chicken. / was running after the chicken**



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