

Past Simple or Past Continuous?

Choose the past simple or past continuous.

1. He _____ (sleep) when the doorbell
_____ (ring).
2. We _____ (eat) dinner at 8pm last night (we started eating at
7:30).
3. Yesterday I _____ (go) to the post office,
_____ (buy) some fruit at the supermarket and
_____ (read) a book in the park in the afternoon.
4. We _____ (watch) TV when we
_____ (hear) a loud noise.
5. Julie _____ (be) in the garden when Laurence
_____ (arrive).
6. A: What _____ (you / do) at 3pm yesterday?
B: I _____ (clean) my house.
7. Last year I _____ (visit) Paris and Rome.
8. They _____ (have) dinner when the police
_____ (come) to the door.
9. He _____ (work) in the garden when he
_____ (find) the money.
10. Laura _____ (study) at 11pm last night.
11. I _____ (walk) along the road when I
_____ (meet) an old friend.
12. It _____ (be) a day in December. Snow
_____ (fall), children _____ (sing)
carols and people _____ (do) their Christmas shopping.
13. My ex-boyfriend _____ (be) so annoying! He
_____ (always / miss) the bus and
_____ (arrive) late.
14. When I _____ (call) Julie, she
_____ (work).