

# SIMPLE PAST vs. PAST CONTINUOUS

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**Instructions:** Choose the correct option to complete each sentence, considering the time markers.

1. **Yesterday, while I \_\_\_\_\_ (was watching / watched) TV, my brother \_\_\_\_\_ (called / was calling) me.**
  - a. was watching / called
  - b. watched / was calling
  - c. was watching / was calling
2. **Last week, she \_\_\_\_\_ (met / was meeting) her best friend when she \_\_\_\_\_ (traveled / was traveling) to Paris.**
  - a. met / traveled
  - b. was meeting / was traveling
  - c. met / was traveling
3. **They \_\_\_\_\_ (played / were playing) football at 3 PM when it suddenly \_\_\_\_\_ (started / was starting) to rain.**
  - a. played / was starting
  - b. were playing / started
  - c. were playing / was starting
4. **We \_\_\_\_\_ (danced / were dancing) all night at the party last Saturday.**
  - a. danced
  - b. were dancing
  - c. danced / were dancing
5. **This morning, I \_\_\_\_\_ (read / was reading) a book when my phone \_\_\_\_\_ (rang / was ringing).**
  - a. read / was ringing
  - b. was reading / rang
  - c. read / rang
6. **She \_\_\_\_\_ (talked / was talking) on the phone at 8 PM when her mother \_\_\_\_\_ (enter / entered) the room.**
  - a. talked / entered
  - b. was talking / entered
  - c. was talking / was entering

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7. They \_\_\_\_\_ (eat / were eating) dinner last night when the lights \_\_\_\_\_ (go / went) out.

- a. ate / went
- b. were eating / went
- c. were eating / were going

8. While the teacher \_\_\_\_\_ (explain / was explaining) the lesson yesterday, the students \_\_\_\_\_ (take / were taking) notes.

- a. explained / were taking
- b. was explaining / took
- c. was explaining / were taking

9. The cat \_\_\_\_\_ (sleep / was sleeping) on the sofa when I \_\_\_\_\_ (come / came) home last evening.

- a. slept / came
- b. was sleeping / came
- c. was sleeping / was coming

10. I \_\_\_\_\_ (do / was doing) my homework at 6 PM when my friend \_\_\_\_\_ (call / called) me.

- a. did / called
- b. was doing / called
- c. was doing / was calling

11. When the rain \_\_\_\_\_ (start / started) at 4 PM, we \_\_\_\_\_ (wait / were waiting) for the bus.

- a. started / waited
- b. started / were waiting
- c. was starting / were waiting

12. She \_\_\_\_\_ (write / was writing) an email when her computer \_\_\_\_\_ (crash / crashed) last night.

- a. wrote / crashed
- b. was writing / crashed
- c. was writing / was crashing