

EXERCISE

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TENSES AND CONCORD

Present and Past Continuous

Choose the most suitable answer and write its number in the brackets.

1 The driver _____ into an alley when he knocked down a cyclist.
(1) turns (3) is turning
(2) turning (4) was turning (4)

2 You cannot enter the consultation room because the doctor _____ a patient now.
(1) is examining (3) was examining
(2) are examining (4) were examining ()

3 We cannot cross the river because the water _____ too rapidly.
(1) flowed (3) is flowing
(2) flowing (4) are flowing ()

4 My mother _____ out the rubbish when a rat ran past her.
(1) is taking (3) was taking
(2) are taking (4) were taking ()

5 Look! Jack and Jill _____ the hill to get some water for Jerry.
(1) is climbing (3) climbed
(2) are climbing (4) climbs ()

6 The dogs look cute when they _____ with one another.
(1) plays (3) are playing
(2) is playing (4) were playing ()

7 The boys _____ the tent when they saw a snake.
(1) was pitching (3) is pitching
(2) were pitching (4) are pitching ()

8 Everyone was afraid of the knights because they _____ swords.
(1) was holding (3) is holding
(2) were holding (4) are holding ()

9 Sam _____ television while his brother is reading a book.
(1) is watching (3) are watching
(2) was watching (4) were watching ()

10 The tired boy _____ his eyes and yawning the whole afternoon.
(1) are rubbing (3) rubs
(2) were rubbing (4) was rubbing ()