

Simple past and past progressive

1 Choose the correct words.

- I saw the accident while I **walked/was walking** to school this morning.
- A bus was coming down the road when a cat **ran/was running** in front of it.
- The driver **saw/was seeing** the cat and tried to avoid it.
- While the driver **tried/was trying** to avoid the cat, he drove into a tree.
- Some birds **sat/were sitting** in the tree and they suddenly flew away.
- The driver **couldn't move/could moving** the bus, so I called the emergency services.

2 Complete the sentences with the correct form of the verbs in parentheses. Use the simple past or the past progressive.

- Someone went into their room while they were sleeping. (go/sleep)
- While Ali , she her arm. (snowboard/break)
- when I home? (you work/get)
- We at our desks when the teacher in. (not sit/come)
- Dad a photo of us while we . (take/windsurf)
- They a picnic when it to rain. (have/start)

3 Complete the text with the correct form of the verbs in the box. Use the simple past or the past progressive.

do go not know sit try watch

- I was doing my homework at nine o'clock last night. I had to write a blog, but I what to write about. Then, while I 3 in front of my computer, I heard a noise outside. I 4 outside and I saw three men who 5 to open our garage door. I 6 them for a few seconds and then I called the police!

when and while

4 Complete the sentences with *when* or *while*.

- I was surprised when I heard the news.
- They saw a whale they were sailing.
- We stayed in the café it was raining.
- Jane was running toward me she suddenly stopped.
- I felt bored I was listening to the presentation.
- I was taking a photo of the bird it flew away.

Subject and object questions

5 Are these questions subject or object questions? Write *subject* or *object*.

- Where did you go on vacation? object
- What did you do on the weekend?
- What happened in the last scene of the movie?
- Who ate all the cookies?
- Why did he leave college?
- Who told you about this new café?

6 Match questions 1–6 with answers a–f.

1 Who married Prince Harry?	<u>e</u>
2 Who did Prince Harry marry?	<u> </u>
3 Who called you?	<u> </u>
4 Who did you call?	<u> </u>
5 Who wrote <i>Harry Potter and the Sorcerer's Stone</i> ?	<u> </u>
6 What did J.K. Rowling write?	<u> </u>
a J.K. Rowling wrote <i>Harry Potter and the Sorcerer's Stone</i> .	<u> </u>
b He married Meghan Markle.	<u> </u>
c I called my friend.	<u> </u>
d She wrote books.	<u> </u>
e Meghan Markle married Prince Harry.	<u> </u>
f My friend called me.	<u> </u>