

Controlled Practice Worksheet

Date: _____

Name: _____

Class: _____

Exercise 1

Fill in the gaps.

1. She _____ (sleep) on the sofa when her phone _____ (ring).
2. He _____ (ride) his bike when the car _____ (pass) him by.
3. I _____ (walk) my dog when he _____ (say) something to me.
4. They _____ (play) football when it _____ (start) to rain.
5. I _____ (do) my homework when they _____ (ask) me to help.
6. She _____ (draw) a picture when her dog _____ (come) in the room.
7. He _____ (work) on his computer when the light _____ (go) off.
8. We _____ (run) when the coach _____ (whistle).
9. She _____ (write) in her mom _____ (ask) her about school.
10. I _____ (speak) on my phone when the school bell _____ (ring).

Answer Key (For Teacher Use Only)

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| 1. was sleeping, rang | 6. was drawing, came |
| 2. was riding, passed | 7. was working, went |
| 3. was walking, said | 8. were running, whistled |
| 4. was drawing, came | 9. was writing, asked |
| 5. was doing, asked | 10. was speaking, rang |

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