

Grammar

1 Choose the correct alternatives to complete the sentences.

1 I **was getting off / got off** the train when I dropped my suitcase.

2 I noticed a mark on the door while I **was cleaning / cleaned** the car.

3 We **were cycling / cycled** to the river and had a picnic on the grass.

4 After the test, I **was having / had** a short chat with my teacher.

5 While my dad was reversing the car, he **was hitting / hit** the rubbish bin in our garden.

2 Choose the best answer (A, B or C) to complete the text.

Today has been a disaster! It started badly in the morning and then just got worse! I had a shower and there wasn't any hot water. It was freezing! After I (1) my cold shower, I made breakfast. I decided to make some toast. A mistake! I forgot that I (2) the bread under the grill and by the time I (3) it had already burnt! So I made some coffee, but while I (4) the coffee the phone rang and I dropped the mug. By the time I found my phone, it (5) ringing. That was only breakfast time!

1 A took B have taken C had taken

2 A put B have put C had put

3 A remembered B remembering C had remembered

4 A made B was making C had made

5 A stopped B have stopped C had stopped