

SIMPLE PAST AND PAST PROGRESSIVE

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

It started (start) to rain while we were having (have) a picnic.

a I not answer (not answer) the phone because I have (have) my dinner.

b you / see anything strange while you walk (walk) by the river?

c I woke (woke) you up because you talk (talk) in your sleep.

d What Katrin / wear when you see (see) her yesterday?

e She not hear (not hear) the bell because she listen (listen) to very loud music.

f While she write (write) an email, the computer stop (stop) working.

Write sentences using the past progressive or simple past form of the verbs.

While / I get / a glass of water / the cat / eat / my lunch

While I was getting a glass of water, the cat ate my lunch.

a My pet hamster / hide / in my suitcase / while / I pack / it

b He crash / into another car / because / he talk / on his cell phone

c Who drive / when / they have / the accident ?

d Where you sit / when / you see / the spaceship ?

e We dance / at a party / when / we hear / a terrible crash

Complete the text with the past progressive or simple past form of the verbs in parentheses.

Andrew Philips was surfing (surf) with a friend in California when a shark attack (attack) him. 'I lie (lie) on my surfboard, because I was tired, when suddenly a huge black shape appear (appear) in the water,' Andrew said. Andrew shout (shout) to his friend, Tom, but Tom not understand (not understand). So Andrew start (start) to swim very fast. 'I try (try) not to think about the danger while I swim (swim)', he told newspaper reporters. The shark bite (bite) Andrew's arm twice. 'It not hurt (not hurt) very much, but there was a lot of blood and I was very frightened. Then, suddenly, six or seven dolphins swim (swim) towards me. They make (make) a circle around me and stop (stop) the shark from getting near me. While I swim (swim) towards the shore, the dolphins keep (keep) me safe.' Andrew get (get) very weak and tired when, luckily, Neil Turner, of the coast guard, see (see) him. 'I get (get) into my boat immediately and go (go) to help him,' Neil said. 'The water around Andrew was very red because he still lose (still lose) a lot of blood. I lift (lift) him out of the water immediately and take (take) him back to the shore. When the boat arrive (arrive) at the shore, a medical team already wait (already wait) for Andrew. They give (give) him first aid and drive (drive) him to hospital.

