

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

1. We were playing basketball _____ it began to rain.
2. The dog was barking _____ we were sleeping.
3. I was watching TV _____ she called.
4. _____ the phone rang, she was writing a letter.
5. _____ we were having the picnic, it started to rain.
6. What were you doing _____ the earthquake started?
7. You were not listening to me _____ I told you to turn the oven off.
8. _____ John was sleeping last night, someone stole his car.
9. I was just getting into the bath _____ the telephone rang.
10. Were you listening _____ he was talking?
11. _____ Ellen was reading, Tim was watching television.
12. _____ she came home from school she really didn't look well

Complete the text with past simple or past continuous

A lorry driver _____ (drive) 200 penguins to London Zoo when his lorry _____ (break) down on the motorway. The driver _____ (get) out of the cab and _____ (look) at the engine when a second lorry driver _____ (stop) in front of him and _____ (ask) if he _____ (need) help.

The penguins' driver _____ (explain) that he _____ (take) the penguins to the zoo and _____ (ask) if the other man would take the penguins there. He _____ (agreed).



Today _____ (not be) not a good day. First of all, my alarm clock _____ (not ring). Then, while I _____ (have) a shower, my dad _____ (go) to work so I had to walk to school. It _____ (rain) and I got very wet. When I _____ (walk) into class everyone _____ (study) hard and in silence. The teacher _____ (look) at me and said, 'Good afternoon John. How nice of you to join us. 'Everyone _____ (laugh). I _____ (be) so embarrassed.