

Difference between Past Simple and Continuous. Linking words When and While.

Carefully(!) read what you have to do in each task.

1- Write "When" or "While"! Remember that Past Simple comes after "When" and Past Continuous comes after "While".

- 1.I was reading a book suddenly I heard a noise.
2. Her husband went to work Rose was cooking dinner.
3. Sandra and Kathy were talking in the living-room, the doorbell rang.
- 4.Ben was playing in a basketball team he was a kid.
5. Sharon came home her brother was playing video games.
6. Angela got home, she was making some coffee.
7. They were sleeping the burglars broke in.
8. We were having a lesson we heard a terrible noise.
9. I was cycling, the rain started.
10. He broke his arm he was playing basketball

2- Write the correct form of the verbs! Remember that Past Simple comes after "When" and Past Continuous comes after "While".

- 1-She met him **while** she _____ (**travel**) on a train.
- 2-**While** the woman was getting off the bus, she _____ (**fall down**).
- 3-The thief _____ (**break**) into the house **while** we were sleeping.
- 4-John took a photo **while** I _____ (**not/look**).
- 5-**While** my mum was working in the garden , she _____ (**hurt**) her back.
- 6-We were living in Madrid **when** our old aunt _____ (**die**).
- 7-**When** I got up this morning, it _____ (**rain**) heavily.
- 8- **While** my dad was brushing his teeth, my mom _____ (**fall asleep**).
- 9- I saw a nightmare **while** I _____ (**sleep**) last night.
- 10- What happened in your dream **while** a monster _____ (**chase**) you?

3- Write the correct form of the verbs! Remember that Past Simple comes after "When" and Past Continuous comes after "While".

- 1- I _____ (**study**) History **when** my friends _____ (**come**) around.
- 2- **While** Susan _____ (**walk**) in the street, she _____ (**meet**) an old friend.
- 3- Her baby _____ (**wake**) up **while** she _____ (**clean**) the house.
- 4- He _____ (**work**) **when** her wife _____ (**phone**) him.
- 5- The students _____ (**have**) a test **when** the storm _____ (**start**).
- 6- We _____ (**see**) a falling star **while** we _____ (**go**) fishing in the lake.
- 7- Susan _____ (**fall**) down **while** she _____ (**climb**) the ladder.
- 8- I _____ (**walk**) along the road **when** I _____ (**see**) you with her.
- 9- Tom _____ (**burn**)his hand **while** he _____ (**cook**) dinner.
- 10- Daddy _____ (**fall**) asleep **while** he _____ (**read**) a book.