

A. Put the verbs in brackets into **the past simple** or **the past continuous**.

0. While George was painting (paint) the ceiling he fell (fall) off the ladder.
1. _____ (you/do) your homework at 4 o'clock yesterday afternoon?
2. I _____ (go) to a theme park last week.
3. We _____ (have) a Maths lesson when the storm _____ (begin).
4. Our teacher _____ (walk) into the classroom and _____ (start) writing on the board.
5. My dad _____ (shake) hands with my teacher when I _____ (arrive).
6. Last week, I _____ (meet) Jamie on my way to the park.
7. Last night I _____ (read) in bed when I suddenly _____ (hear) a scream.
8. _____ (you watch) TV when I _____ (phone) you?
9. Ann _____ (wait) for me when I _____ (arrive).
10. Maisie _____ (clean) up the kitchen when John _____ (ask) her to marry him.
11. The fire _____ (still burn) at six in the morning.
12. My brother _____ (get) a new job a week ago.
13. Columbus _____ (discover) America over 500 years ago.
14. She _____ (leave) the office very early last night.
15. I _____ (meet) a friend while I _____ (do) the shopping.
16. I _____ (pay) for my things when I _____ (hear) someone call my name.
17. I _____ (turn) around and _____ (see) Judy.
18. She _____ (wear) a yellow dress when I _____ (see) her last.

- 19 While the waiter _____ (pick) up the pieces of glass he _____ (cut) his finger.
- 20 My dog _____ (walk) along quietly when Mary's Pekinese _____ (attack) him.
- 21 When I _____ (arrive) she _____ (have) lunch.
- 22 They suddenly _____ (realize) that they _____ (travel) in the wrong direction.
- 23 He _____ (play) guitar when someone _____ (open) the window and _____ (throw) out a bucket of water.
- 24 He _____ (stay) at home yesterday because a strong wind _____ (blow) all day.
- 25 When I _____ (come) home they _____ (all sit) around a fire. Jack _____ (do) a crossword puzzle, Judy _____ (knit) and the others _____ (read). Mother _____ (smile) at me and said: "Come and sit down."