A) Choose the correct tense in each of the following sentences:

1. Mary *prepared /was preparing* lunch when they *came/was coming.*
2. Tom was very unlucky. It *rained/was raining* every day during his holidays.
3. Who was that girl you *talked/were talking* to when I *walked/was walking* in.
4. Last weekend Hollie *fell/was falling* and *broke/was breaking* her arm.
5. When I *walked/was walking* into the café, Mark *had/was having* lunch with Tom.
6. We *drove/were driving* to Paris in Chloe's new car.
7. It *rained/was raining* heavily when I *got up/was getting up* this morning.
8. Jane finally *told/was telling* us all the thruth about Peter.

B) Read these sentences and fill in the gaps using the Past Simple or the Past Continuos as needed:

1. As Martin_____(walk) up Oxford St. He_____(meet) an old schoolmate.
2. When_____(father/arrive) yesterday?
3. Who_____(you/speak) to on the phone when I_____(come) in?

4. Meg_____(read) in bed when she_____(hear) a strange noise downstairs.
5. When I_____(leave) home this morning the sun_____(shine)
6. Sam_____(arrive) at Jane's house a little before 10 a.m., but she_____(not be) there. She_____(study) at the library.
7. The fireman_____(rescue) a 78-year-old woman who_____(be) trapped on the sixth floor of the burning building.
8. _____(you/do) any shopping yesterday?
9. What_____(Peter/do) when you_____(knock) on his door?
10. Liza_____(wear) her black dress to the party last weekend.