

Past Continuous & Past Simple

Name: _____ Class: _____ No: _____

Part I Instructions: Choose the correct option.

1. When the teacher **said / was saying** 'Stop!', I still **tried / was still trying** to finish the last question.
2. Cherprang **found / was finding** a really interesting website about biology while she **surf ed / was surfing** the internet.
3. Timothy **played / was playing** a computer game when his mother **called / was calling** him for dinner.
4. I **looked / was looking** for a file on my memory stick when I **noticed / was noticing** there was a virus.
5. How many pictures **did you take / were you taking** while you **travelled / were travelling** around Amsterdam?

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Part II Instructions: Complete the sentences with the past simple or the past continuous form of the verbs in brackets

1. His dad _____ (**listen**) to classical music when Mark _____ (**arrive**) home from school.
2. My brother _____ (**meet**) his wife, Clair, while he _____ (**live**) in France.
3. My little sister _____ (**draw**) a portrait while I _____ (**study**) for my Japanese exam.
4. While a secretary _____ (**print**) a report, the printer _____ (**run out**) of paper.
5. When we _____ (**leave**) school yesterday, it _____ (**pour**) with rain.