

★ ★ Choose the correct forms.

- 1 Sorry, I <sup>a</sup>had / was having a shower when you <sup>b</sup>called / were calling.
- 2 <sup>a</sup>Did Lola stand / Was Lola standing outside when it <sup>b</sup>started / was starting to rain?
- 3 When the car <sup>a</sup>crashed / was crashing into us, we <sup>b</sup>waited / were waiting at the traffic lights.
- 4 Fortunately, we <sup>a</sup>didn't ski / weren't skiing when the bad weather <sup>b</sup>came / was coming.

★ ★ ★ Complete the story with the Past Simple or Past Continuous forms of the verbs in brackets.

What were you doing (you/do) the last time you <sup>1</sup>\_\_\_\_\_ (see) something truly amazing? Well, fisherman and journalist Al McGlashan <sup>2</sup>\_\_\_\_\_ (fish) with friends in his private boat when he <sup>3</sup>\_\_\_\_\_ (find) something very, very strange. At first the group of fishermen <sup>4</sup>\_\_\_\_\_ (not/know) what it was, but when they <sup>5</sup>\_\_\_\_\_ (look) closely, they saw the body of a giant squid – almost 4 metres long!

Al got out his video camera and then another amazing thing <sup>6</sup>\_\_\_\_\_ (happen). He <sup>7</sup>\_\_\_\_\_ (film) the squid when a large blue shark <sup>8</sup>\_\_\_\_\_ (arrive) and began eating the dead squid for lunch!

Al <sup>9</sup>\_\_\_\_\_ (tell) an Australian newspaper that in all his years of fishing he'd never seen anything like it.



**Find and correct the mistakes.**

He ~~was clicking~~ on an icon and nothing happened.  
clicked

- 1 Tom was downloading music when his computer was getting the virus. \_\_\_\_\_
- 2 Annabelle visited the zoo when she saw an elephant for the first time. \_\_\_\_\_
- 3 Grandma, were you watching television when Apollo 11 was landing on the moon? \_\_\_\_\_
- 4 They were waiting for the bus when it was starting to snow. \_\_\_\_\_
- 5 The girls were playing tennis when Helen was breaking her arm. \_\_\_\_\_
- 6 Was the computers working this morning when you arrived? \_\_\_\_\_