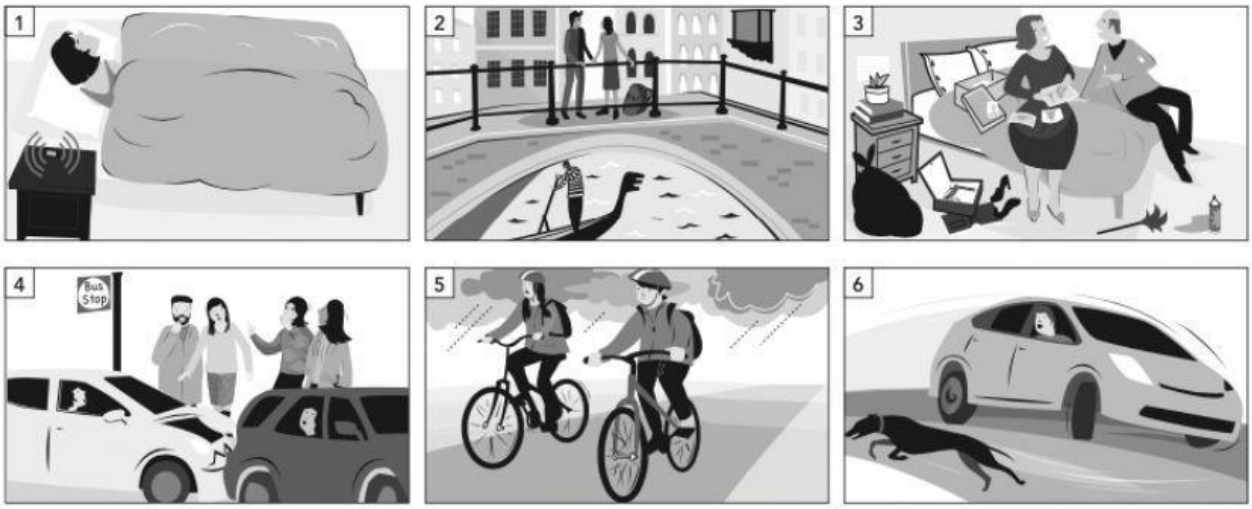
2B GRAMMAR past continuous

a Look at the pictures and complete the sentences with the past simple and past continuous form of the verbs in brackets.



1 I *was sleeping* when you *sent* me the message. (sleep, send)
2 Susan _____ around Italy when she _____ her boyfriend. (travel, meet)
3 We _____ some old photos when we _____ the house. (find, clean)
4 They _____ for the bus when they _____ the accident. (wait, see)
5 It _____ to rain when they _____ to school. (start, cycle)
6 A dog _____ into the road when I _____ home. (run, drive)

b Complete the story with the past simple or past continuous form of the verbs in brackets.



Last summer, I [1] *was living* (live) in Hawaii. One Saturday morning, I [2] _____ (wake up) early, and it [3] _____ (be) a beautiful day. The sun [4] _____ (shine), and I [5] _____ (feel) really happy. I [6] _____ (not need) to go to work that day, so I [7] _____ (decide) to go surfing. Most of my friends [8] _____ (work) and my girlfriend [9] _____ (visit) her parents, so I [10] _____ (go) to the beach alone. When I [11] _____ (arrive), the beach [12] _____ (be) already crowded. A lot of people [13] _____ (sunbathe), children [14] _____ (play) games and people [15] _____ (swim) in the sea. Everyone [16] _____ (enjoy) the lovely summer day. I [17] _____ (put) my things down on the beach, and then I [18] _____ (begin) walking to the sea with my surfboard. Suddenly, a man [19] _____ (shout), 'Shark! Shark! Get out of the water!' At first, I [20] _____ (not can) see anything, but then I [21] _____ (see) a big shark. Luckily, it [22] _____ (not attack) anyone and [23] _____ (swim) away quickly. I [24] _____ (not stay) at the beach after that, and I [25] _____ (go) home without going surfing!

ACTIVATION

Test your memory. Cover the sentences in **a** and look at the pictures. Try to remember the sentences.

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