PAST CONTINUOUS AND PAST SIMPLE

Exercise 1: complete the questions in the Past Continuous. Then, answer them.

1. A: the two young women (sit) on chairs?
   B: Yes, .
2. A: the police officer (talk) to them?
   B: No, .
3. A: the old man and his dog (eat)?
   B: No, .
4. A: the boy (wear) football boots?
   B: Yes, .
5. A: the little girl (sleep)?
   B: No, .
6. A: the man and the woman (talk) to the police officer?
   B: No, .

Exercise 2: read the sentences. Write Past Simple or Past Continuous. Pay attention to the verbs!

1. Was Peter watching TV yesterday evening?
2. Did Julia see you at the supermarket?
3. We were sitting in the café.
4. She wrote an email.
5. The phone didn't ring.
6. They weren't listening to music.

Exercise 3: choose the correct options. Pay attention to when and while!

1. While we walked / were walking home, it started / was starting to rain.
2. I had / was having a shower when the lights went out / were going out.
3. When Mum came / was coming home, Dad made / was making dinner in the kitchen.
4. Mrs Jones slept / was sleeping when the thieves climbed / were climbing through the living room window.
5. I found / was finding this interesting website while I looked / was looking for information on the Internet.

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6. The teacher came / was coming into the classroom while the students wrote / were writing on the whiteboard.

Exercise 4: complete the sentences with the Past Simple and Past Continuous form of the verbs.

1. While the thief (climb up) the ladder, the police officer (arrive).
2. When the teacher (walk) into the classroom, the boys (fight).
3. you (play) loud music when I (phone) you?
4. While Sam (ride) his bike in the park, he (lose) his mobile phone.

Exercise 5: Write sentences with Past Simple and Past Continuous.

1. While / Sam / run / he / drop / his money.
2. When / we / see / the thief / he / climb / through the window.
3. They / travel / around the world / when / they / lose / their bags.
4. My little brother / run / into the kitchen / while / I / make / dinner.
5. They / sleep/ when / the fire / start.
6. What / you / do / when / I / phone?

Exercise 6: choose the correct option in each sentence.

a. Walk across / out of the street to the other side.
b. We walked through / along the beach.
c. Dora went out of / into her bedroom and sat on her bed.
d. The mouse ran under / through the table.
e. The teacher was walking over / around the classroom.
f. Dad came out of / down the house.
g. Come up / down from that tree! It's time for dinner.

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Exercise 7: complete the text with these words: along – into – off – out of – over – through - up

a. Martin looked the window.

b. Sarah climbed a mountain. It was very tiring!

c. The mouse walked the wall.

d. Harry jumped the bridge the water.

e. Sophie walked the bridge.

f. I took the present the box.

Exercise 8: complete the text with these words: across along down into into through up

Will Adams climbed the ladder. Then, he climbed the bedroom an open window. A police officer was walking the street. She saw Will and ran the road to the house. At the moment, Will came the ladder again. 'Good evening, Officer,' he said. 'My key was in the bedroom. Now I've got it and I can go the house and make some tea. Would you like a cup?'

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