

A Complete the sentences by putting the verbs in brackets () into the Past Continuous.

► It was snowing..... (snow) when I left home this morning.

1 I tried to explain my problem to her, but she (not/listen).

2 He (talk) on the phone when I arrived.

3 A lot of people (wait) for the 7.30 bus last night.

4 I (live) in London when I met them.

5 I nearly had an accident this morning. A car (come) towards me, but I moved quickly out of the way.

6 At the end of the first half of the game, they (win).

7 It was a sunny afternoon and people (sit) on the grass in the park. Then it suddenly started to rain.

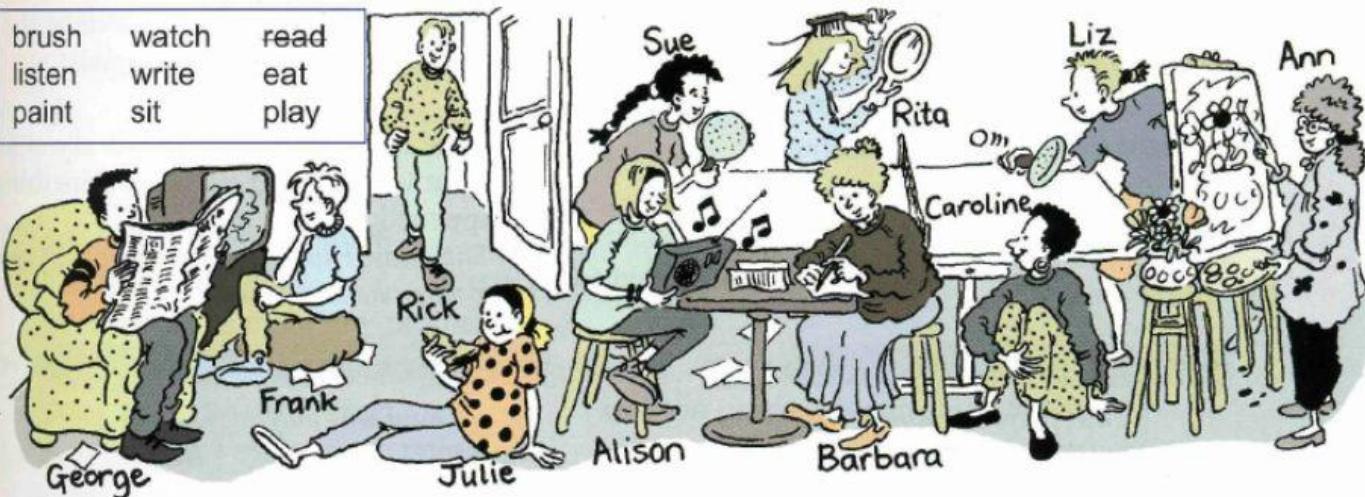
8 Which hotel (you/stay) in when you lost your passport?

9 Fortunately, I (not-drive) too fast when the child walked into the road in front of me.

10 I looked out of the window, and I saw that it (not/rain) any more.
 11 What (you/do) at three o'clock yesterday afternoon?

B Describe what the people in the picture were doing when Rick came into the room. Use the correct verb from the box in the Past Continuous.

brush	watch	read
listen	write	eat
paint	sit	play



► George was reading a newspaper.

1 Julie a sandwich. 5 Barbara a letter.
 2 Sue and Liz table tennis. 6 Rita her hair.
 3 Frank television. 7 Alison to some music.
 4 Caroline on the floor. 8 Ann a picture.

C Look at this information about Shirley and Kevin and complete the sentences about them, using the Past Continuous (*I was doing*) or the Past Simple (*I did*).

SHIRLEY
 1980–86 lived in New York
 1983–86 studied at university
 1986 left university
 1986–90 worked as a translator
 1989 met Kevin
 1992 married Kevin

KEVIN
 1982–90 lived in Washington
 1983–85 did a course in Computing
 1985–1990 worked as a computer operator
 1989 met Shirley
 1990–1995 ran his own company
 1992 married Shirley

► In 1982 Shirley was living in New York.

1 In 1984 Kevin in Washington.
 2 In 1984 Shirley at university.
 3 In 1984 Kevin a course in computing.
 4 When Shirley university in 1986, Kevin as a computer operator.
 5 When Kevin Shirley, she as a translator.
 6 While Shirley as a translator, she Kevin.
 7 In 1992 Kevin his own company.
 8 While he his own company, Kevin Shirley.