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Grammar 1

- 1 What were they doing when there was a power cut?
Complete the sentences using the past continuous.



- 1 My brother was eating chocolate cakes. (eat)
- 2 The band was rehearsing for a concert. (rehearse)
- 3 The students were studying. (study)
- 4 Marta was taking the lift to the fifth floor. (take)
- 5 The boys were playing football. (play)
- 6 The children were watching TV. (watch)
- 7 Millions of people were sleeping. (sleep)
- 8 The zookeeper was feeding the animals. (feed)

- 2 Read and circle the correct form of the verb.

Last night there was an emergency in my neighbourhood. While I ¹ was watching / **watched** a football match, the TV suddenly ² **was going** / **went** off. My mother ³ **was making** / **made** dinner when the cooker ⁴ **was stopping** / **stopped** working. All the lights went off too! Some workmen ⁵ **were digging** / **dug** a hole when they ⁶ **were cutting** / **cut** the power line by mistake.

Suddenly we heard shouting. When I ⁷ **was hearing** / **heard** the noise, I ⁸ **was running** / **ran** outside. It was really dark because there were no streetlights. There were two men standing next to a car and a broken bicycle. They looked worried. While we ⁹ **were waiting** / **waited** for the police, the driver's phone ¹⁰ **was ringing** / **rang**. It was his wife. She was calling to tell him to be careful because the roads were dangerous!