



A moment in time

Photographs are pictures taken to please the family and bore the neighbors.
Edmund Volliart, American sociologist

1 GRAMMAR past continuous

a Complete the sentences. Use the past continuous.

- 1 I was sleeping (sleep) on my friend's sofa when his mother came home.
- 2 What _____ (you / talk) about when I came in?
- 3 He didn't call you because his cell phone _____ (not / work).
- 4 They _____ (live) in Sydney when their first child was born.
- 5 I'm sorry, _____ (you / watch) that program?
- 6 We _____ (walk) along the beach when we saw a snake.
- 7 She _____ (not / drive) when the car hit the tree. I was.
- 8 It _____ (snow) when they arrived in Beijing.

b Write sentences with *when*. Use the simple past and past continuous.

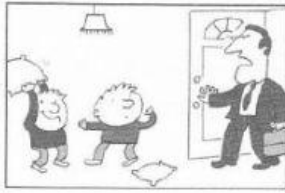


- 1 They / play tennis / start / rain
They were playing tennis when it started to rain.

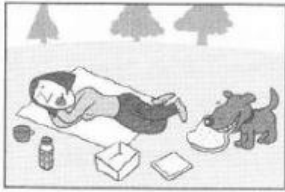


- 2 He / break / his leg / ski

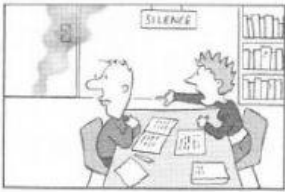
_____.



3 The boys / fight / their father /
come home



4 A dog / eat / my sandwich / I / sleep
/ in the park



5 We / study / in the library /
the fire / start

c Complete the text with the correct form of the verbs in parentheses.



Last summer I ¹ went (go) to Los Angeles to stay
with my cousin for a few weeks. One afternoon we
² _____ (have) lunch in a nice restaurant in a
fashionable part of town when my cousin ³ _____
(get) a call on her cell phone and went outside to talk.

While she ⁴ _____ (talk) on the phone, I suddenly
⁵ _____ (notice) a man in a black hat who
⁶ _____ (sit) at the next table. It was the actor
Johnny Depp! He was alone, and I ⁷ _____ (decide)
to take a chance. So I got up and ⁸ _____ (go) to his
table. "Excuse me, could I have my photo taken with
you?" I asked. He ⁹ _____ (say) yes, so I
¹⁰ _____ (stop) a waitress who ¹¹ _____ (pass)
by and gave her my camera. She ¹² _____ (take) the
photo of Johnny and me. I thanked them both, and then
I returned to my table. When my cousin ¹³ _____
(come) back, I ¹⁴ _____ (smile). "Why are you
looking so pleased with yourself?" she asked.
"I had my photo taken with Johnny Depp."
"Johnny Depp? Where is he?"
"He's sitting over there. Look!"
She turned around to look and then started to laugh.
"That's not Johnny Depp!" I ¹⁵ _____ (look) at the
man in the black hat – he ¹⁶ _____ (laugh), too.

2 VOCABULARY *at, in, on*

a Place. Complete the sentences with *at, in, on*.

- 1 We'll meet you at the bus stop.
- 2 I often listen to music ____ my car.
- 3 ____ my room I have a poster ____ the wall and a photo of my parents ____ the table by my bed.
- 4 My family is from Recife, but we live ____ Rio.
- 5 She's not ____ home. She's ____ work.
- 6 There's some sugar ____ the top shelf ____ the cabinet.
- 7 They swam ____ the lake and then went for a walk ____ the park.
- 8 There's a post office ____ the end of this block.

b Time. Complete the sentences with *at, in, on*, or nothing.

- 1 Let's meet next Saturday at 3:00.
- 2 I hate driving ____ night, getting up early ____ the morning, and working ____ weekends.
- 3 Our flight is leaving ____ Monday at 7:30 ____ the evening and arriving ____ noon ____ Tuesday.
- 4 We have a test ____ Friday ____ the afternoon.
- 5 In most countries, banks and offices are closed ____ New Year's Day.
- 6 Computers were invented ____ the 20th century.
- 7 Albert Einstein was born ____ March 14, 1879 in Germany, and he died ____ 1955 in the US.
- 8 We went to Acapulco ____ March, and we're going again ____ the summer.