

1. Read a short extract from a story and answer the questions. Write full answers! Where is Harry at the start of the paragraph? _____ Where is he at the end? _____ (2 p)

¹ A cold wind was blowing and large dark clouds were moving across the sky. ² Hundred metres from the cliffs, the boat was rising and falling with the waves. ³ Harry took off his jacket and his jeans and put them behind a rock. ⁴ Then he climbed down into the water and began to swim. ⁵ As he was getting near the boat, he heard a shout. ⁶ He held his breath and dived under the waves.



2. Match the sentences with the rules from the table (a, b, c) (3 p).

1. We **had** lunch. Then we **put** on our coats and **left**. RULE _____
2. It **was raining**. People **were wearing** raincoats and **carrying** umbrellas. RULE _____
3. As I **was getting** dressed, my friend **phoned**. RULE _____

<i>a)</i>	<i>We use the Past Continuous to describe a scene in the past. The events were in progress at the same time.</i>
<i>b)</i>	<i>We use the Past Simple to describe a short event that interrupted (pārtrauca) a longer event in the Past Continuous.</i>
<i>c)</i>	<i>We use the Past Simple for a sequence (secība) of events in the past. The events happened one after another.</i>

4. Now match the numbered sentences from the story in exercise 1 with the rules from exercise 2 (rules will repeat) (5 p).

Example: Sentence ¹ A cold wind was blowing and large dark clouds were moving across the sky. – Rule b

Sentence 2 – Rule _____

Sentence 3 – Rule _____

Sentence 4 – Rule _____

Sentence 5 – Rule _____

Sentence 6 – Rule _____

5. Complete the sentences with the Past Simple or the Past Continuous form (13 p).

- While he _____ (listen) to their argument, the boat's engines _____ (start).
- Someone _____ (fall) into the water. Harry _____ (realise) who it was and _____ (jump) in too.
- Still underwater, he _____ (swim) close to the boat, then _____ (come) up silently. Three people _____ (argue) loudly.
- The boat _____ (begin) to move away. As he _____ (decide) what to do, he _____ (hear) a scream.
- Before it started moving, Harry quickly _____ (climb) onto the back of the boat and _____ (hide).

!!! Now put these sentences into the correct order to continue the story from exercise 1! (4 p)

1 - c, 2 - ___, 3 - ___, 4 - ___, 5 - ____.

6. Read it! (2 p)

When a short event interrupts (pärtrauc) a longer event, we can while/as with the Past Continuous and when with the Past Simple.

Example: While/As I was walking along the beach (long event), I found a gold coin (short event).
or I was walking along the beach (long event) when I found a gold coin (short event).

a) Rewrite this sentence with when:

As he was getting near the boat, he heard a shout. _____

b) Rewrite this sentence with while or as:

They were preparing for the boat trip when the captain came in.

7. Choose an interruption from box B for each activity in box A. Write 5 sentences using the Past Simple or Past Continuous. Use while/as or when! (5 p)

A activities

fight climb back onto the boat help hide put on dry clothes talk swim to the shore

B interruption

call for help feel ill find a note see a shark find a case of money hear gunshots
remember something important hear/see a helicopter

Example: While he **was swimming** to the shore, he **saw** a shark.

or He **was swimming** to the shore when he **saw** shark.

- 1)
- 2)
- 3)
- 4)
- 5)

8. You read a story in exercise 1 and put the sentences into the right order to continue the story in exercise 6. What do you think happened next in Harry's story? (10 p)

- 1) *Did Harry know the person who fell into the water?*
- 2) *Did they fight or help each other?*
- 3) *What happened to the boat?*
- 4) *Did Harry return to the shore or get on the boat?*
- 5) *What happened next?*

Write 5 or 6 more sentences of the story using your answers to the questions:
