

## PAST SIMPLE EXERCISES

### I. GRAMMAR past continuous: Complete the sentences with the verbs in brackets in the past continuous.

1. You were laughing (laugh) when I took the photo.
2. It \_\_\_\_\_ (snow) when our plane landed.
3. We \_\_\_\_\_ (not drive) fast when the accident happened.
4. What \_\_\_\_\_ (he / do) when his boss arrived?
5. Why \_\_\_\_\_ (you / cry) at the party?
6. I \_\_\_\_\_ (sit) on the bus when I saw my boyfriend with another girl.
7. They \_\_\_\_\_ (live) in Malaysia when their first child was born.
8. He didn't call you because his mobile phone \_\_\_\_\_ (not work).
9. We \_\_\_\_\_ (play) basketball when Irpin hurt his ankle.

### II. Complete the sentences. Use the past simple or past continuous form of the verb in brackets.

1. I broke (break) my arm while I was climbing (climb) a tree.
2. My friends \_\_\_\_\_ (swim) in the sea when it \_\_\_\_\_ (start) to rain.
3. While I \_\_\_\_\_ (take) photos in the town centre, \_\_\_\_\_ (see) my best friend.
4. The police \_\_\_\_\_ (catch) the thief while he \_\_\_\_\_ (jump) over the wall.
5. When my dad \_\_\_\_\_ (get) home, we \_\_\_\_\_ (not do) our homework.
6. I \_\_\_\_\_ (sit) in a café when you \_\_\_\_\_ (call).
7. Delfina \_\_\_\_\_ (do) an English test, when her phone \_\_\_\_\_ (ring).