

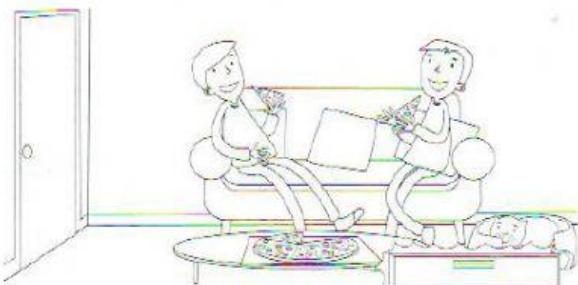
**1 Match 1–5 to a–e.**

- 1 I was sleeping in bed when
- 2 Grandma was drinking tea
- 3 My parents were playing tennis
- 4 I was watching TV
- 5 Dad was reading a book when

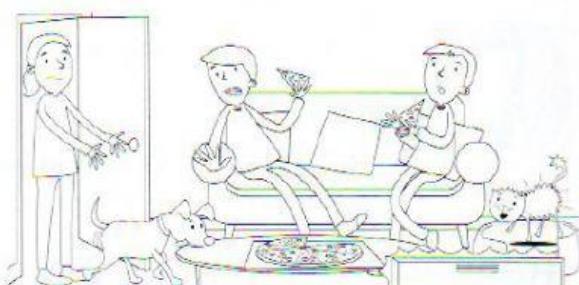
- a when she dropped her cup.
- b when my little brother changed the channel.
- c his phone rang.
- d I heard a loud noise.
- e when they lost the ball.

**2 Complete the text with the Past Continuous or the Past Simple forms of the verbs in the box.**

eat hear open run sleep watch



Yesterday afternoon Doug and Neil  
1 were watching a film on TV when their  
sister 2 the door.



They 3  pizza when the dog  
4  fast into the room.  
The cat 5  in its bed when it  
6  the dog and got scared!

**3 Circle the correct answer.**

- 1 I 1  breakfast when Jack phoned me.  
 a was having      b had      c having
- 2 He was studying when his mum 2  in.  
 a was coming      b come      c came
- 3 They 3  football well when the other team scored!  
 a was playing      b were playing      c played
- 4 Dave was cooking 4  him.  
 a we visited      b when visited      c when we visited
- 5 Alan 5  he got my message.  
 a was vacuuming when      b was when      c vacuumed when
- 6 I was looking for my phone when I 6  my tablet.  
 a found      b was finding      c find

**4 Complete these sentences with your own ideas. Then compare with a partner.  
Are your sentences the same?**

Dr Q was

when Pi turned  
off the water.

Dr Q was

painting his new  
picture when

Pi was

when he heard  
a loud noise.

Dr Q and Pi  
were eating

pizza when they

1 Complete the dialogues with one word in each gap.

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A: You look upset . What \_\_\_\_\_?

B: I was watching TV when it stopped working.

A: I'm \_\_\_\_\_ to hear that.

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A: You look \_\_\_\_\_. What's \_\_\_\_\_?

B: I was playing tennis when it started to rain!

A: That's a \_\_\_\_\_!

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A: You look worried. \_\_\_\_\_ happened?

B: I was playing a video game when I broke the games console.

A: Oh, that's \_\_\_\_\_!

2 Divide the words into categories: things you were doing and things that happened. Choose pairs of cards and act out your own dialogues. Use dialogues in Exercise 1 to help.



<b>broke a window</b>	<b>dropped it</b>	<b>drying my hair</b>	<b>going to school</b>
<b>going to the cinema</b>	<b>laptop crashed</b>	<b>lost my phone</b>	<b>missed the bus</b>
<b>playing football</b>	<b>started to rain</b>	<b>stopped working</b>	<b>texting a friend</b>
<b>using the blender</b>	<b>broke it</b>	<b>waiting for the bus</b>	<b>writing my essay</b>