

1 Complete the sentences with the past continuous form of the verbs in brackets.

- 1 We _____ (drive) from Italy to France.
- 2 The weather was good and the sun _____ (shine).
- 3 My sister _____ (read) a book.
- 4 My brother _____ (draw) a picture of a cat.
- 5 My mother and father _____ (talk) about their favourite film.
- 6 I _____ (listen) to some music on my phone.
- 7 Our dog _____ (sleep) in the back of the car.
- 8 My friends _____ (send) text messages to me.

1 Match the sentence halves.

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| 1 As I was climbing the mountain, | a when she hit her head on a rock. |
| 2 While we were sailing to Greece, | b I met another hiker on his way down. |
| 3 As the friends were arguing, | c when I saw a bear behind a tree. |
| 4 Jim was swimming in the ocean | d my sister fell into the water. |
| 5 We were driving through the desert | e when he saw a boat in the distance. |
| 6 The girl was kayaking down the river | f they dropped their map into the river. |
| 7 While Anna was exploring the caves, | g when our car broke down. |
| 8 I was cycling through the forest | h she lost her map. |

2 Complete the text with the correct past simple or past continuous form of the verbs in brackets.



It was a cold, dark evening. The snow¹ was falling (fall) fast and an icy wind² _____ (blow). As Rick³ _____ (walk) home along the empty street, he⁴ _____ (see) a strange flash of light in the distance. He⁵ _____ (stop). 'Maybe it was just my imagination,' he thought. Then, suddenly, the light⁶ _____ (flash) again. As he was watching it, he⁷ _____ (hear) a shout in the distance. 'Help me! Please, someone, help me!' He⁸ _____ (run) towards the light when something hit his head. Rick⁹ _____ (fall) onto the snow. A car door opened and a man¹⁰ _____ (step) out in front of him ...