

## 2B GRAMMAR past continuous

a) Look at the pictures and write the sentences. Use the past simple and past continuous.



1 She saw the spider when she was buying some fruit. (see, buy)

2 His mobile \_\_\_\_\_ when he \_\_\_\_\_ . (ring, drive)



3 Neil \_\_\_\_\_ late when his boss \_\_\_\_\_ a speech. (arrive, make)



4 They \_\_\_\_\_ football when it \_\_\_\_\_ to rain. (play, start)



5. We \_\_\_\_\_ a party when I \_\_\_\_\_ this photo. (have, take)



6. We \_\_\_\_\_ the result when we \_\_\_\_\_ in France. (hear, travel)

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b) Complete the story with the past simple or the past continuous of the verbs in brackets.

When Alex Jones (1) arrived (arrive) at JFK International Airport, she (2) \_\_\_\_\_ (look) around, but she (3) \_\_\_\_\_ (not see) anybody to meet her. A lot of people (4) \_\_\_\_\_ (hold) cards with names on them, but they (5) \_\_\_\_\_ (not wait) for her. She (6) \_\_\_\_\_ (not know) what to do, but it (7) \_\_\_\_\_ (be) a beautiful, sunny day, so she (8) \_\_\_\_\_ (decide) to go to the hotel on her own. She (9) \_\_\_\_\_ (go) outside and (10) \_\_\_\_\_ (look) for a taxi. A lot of people (11) \_\_\_\_\_ (wait), so she (12) \_\_\_\_\_ (catch) the airport bus into New York. The bus (13) \_\_\_\_\_ (stop) in Manhattan, quite near the hotel, and she (14) \_\_\_\_\_ (get) off. She (15) \_\_\_\_\_ (walk) into the hotel, and she (16) \_\_\_\_\_ (give) her name, Alexandra Jones. She (17) \_\_\_\_\_ (talk) to the receptionist when suddenly a man (18) \_\_\_\_\_ (run) up to her. He (19) \_\_\_\_\_ (carry) a card which (20) \_\_\_\_\_ (read) 'Mr Jones'.

'Ms Jones? I'm terribly sorry! I (21) \_\_\_\_\_ (wait) for you at the airport, but I (22) \_\_\_\_\_ (think) you (23) \_\_\_\_\_ (be) a man!'

'That's OK,' (24) \_\_\_\_\_ (say) Alex. 'It happened to me all the time!'