2B Past continuous

a Complete the sentences with the past continuous forms of the verbs.

1 A year ago, _____ (I / live) with my parents.
2 At nine last night, _____ (we / sleep).
3 **A** What _____ (you / do) at midnight on New Year's Eve?
B We _____ (watch) the celebrations on TV.
4 _____ (she / not study) when I got home; _____ (she / talk) to her friends online.
5 **A** _____ (Most people / not wear) suits for the job interview.
B What _____ (they / wear)?

b Choose the best form for each verb. There is one pas simple verb and one past continuous verb in each sentence.

1 The doorbell *rang / was ringing* when I *watched / was watching* a film.
2 She *walked / was walking* down the street when she *saw / was seeing* her friend.
3 He *left / was leaving* his job when he *studied / was studying* for his exams.
4 I *did / was doing* some cleaning when I *heard / was hearing* the news on the radio.
5 We *felt / were feeling* tired when we *got / were getting* home.
6 I *didn't visit / wasn't visiting* Cancún when I *worked / was working* in Mexico.
7 I *wasn't looking / didn't look* when I *crashed / was crashing* my bicycle into a tree.

c Use the past continuous and the past simple of the verbs in brackets to complete the sentences about each picture.

1 
When I _____ down the street, I _____ ten dollars. (walk, find)

2 
It _____ when she _____ the house. (rain, leave)

3 
When you _____ me, I _____ dinner. (call, cook)

4 

They _____ quietly when the teacher _____ back. (not work, come)

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