

## 2B GRAMMAR past continuous

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



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



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



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



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



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



6 We \_\_\_\_\_ the score when we in Florida. (hear, travel)

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



When Alex Jones <sup>1</sup>arrived (arrive) at JFK International Airport, she <sup>2</sup>\_\_\_\_\_ (look) around, but she <sup>3</sup>\_\_\_\_\_ (not see) anybody there to meet her. A lot of people <sup>4</sup>\_\_\_\_\_ (hold) cards with names on them, but they <sup>5</sup>\_\_\_\_\_ (not wait) for her. She <sup>6</sup>\_\_\_\_\_ (not know) what to do, but it <sup>7</sup>\_\_\_\_\_ (be) a beautiful, sunny day, so she <sup>8</sup>\_\_\_\_\_ (decide) to go to the hotel on her own. She <sup>9</sup>\_\_\_\_\_ (go) outside and <sup>10</sup>\_\_\_\_\_ (look) for a taxi. A lot of people <sup>11</sup>\_\_\_\_\_ (wait), so she <sup>12</sup>\_\_\_\_\_ (catch) the airport bus into New York City. The bus <sup>13</sup>\_\_\_\_\_ (stop) in Manhattan, near the hotel, and she <sup>14</sup>\_\_\_\_\_ (get) off. She <sup>15</sup>\_\_\_\_\_ (walk) into the hotel and <sup>16</sup>\_\_\_\_\_ (give) her name, Alexandra Jones. She <sup>17</sup>\_\_\_\_\_ (talk) to the receptionist when suddenly a man <sup>18</sup>\_\_\_\_\_ (run) up to her. He <sup>19</sup>\_\_\_\_\_ (carry) a card that <sup>20</sup>\_\_\_\_\_ (read) "Mr. Jones". "Ms. Jones? I'm terribly sorry! I <sup>21</sup>\_\_\_\_\_ (wait) for you at the airport, but I <sup>22</sup>\_\_\_\_\_ (think) you <sup>23</sup>\_\_\_\_\_ (be) a man!" "That's OK," <sup>24</sup>\_\_\_\_\_ (say) Alex. "It happens to me all the time!"