Unit 8 Present vs. Past Continuous

Grammar Quiz

A **Choose the correct answers.**

1. A woman _____ some oranges now.
   ⓐ am buying ⓑ is buying ⓒ was buying
2. She _____ a long coat yesterday.
   ⓐ is wearing ⓑ were wearing ⓒ was wearing
3. The children _____ to school at nine o'clock.
   ⓐ was going ⓑ were go ⓒ were going
4. We _____ our desks now.
   ⓐ is cleaning ⓑ are cleaning ⓒ were cleaning
5. I _____ at my grandma's house now.
   ⓐ am staying ⓑ is staying ⓒ was staying
6. My brother _____ the dishes when I came home.
   ⓐ is washing ⓑ was washing ⓒ were washing

B **Look at the underlined words and choose the wrong sentences.**

1. ⓐ It is snowing a little right now.
   ⓑ My aunt is taking driving lessons these days.
   ⓒ The butterfly is flying through the air.
   ⓓ He is making chocolate cookies at 5:30 yesterday.

2. ⓐ The dog isn't barking when I saw it.
   ⓑ We aren't playing computer games now.
   ⓒ The kids weren't watching TV last night.
   ⓓ She wasn't working when he called her.

3. ⓐ Were they waiting for the train at 2:30?
   ⓑ Was you reading a sports magazine?
   ⓒ Was she riding her skateboard when you saw her?
   ⓓ Was he feeding the birds in the park yesterday?

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Grammar Practice

A **Complete the sentences in the present or past continuous.**

1. do — Mark _____ his history homework right now.
2. sleep — I _____ when you called me.
3. jog — She _____ in the park now.
4. not / have — We _____ a party yesterday afternoon.
5. not / write — Mr. Adams _____ a letter at seven o'clock yesterday.
6. not / look — They _____ at the balloons in the sky right now.

B **Choose and complete the sentences in the present or past continuous.**

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1. My mom _____ at old photos when I came home.
2. The train _____ at the station now.
3. We _____ all the windows now.
4. Jane _____ her birthday cake when I arrived at the party.
5. They _____ to their teacher yesterday morning.
6. The mechanic _____ my aunt's car at the moment.

Writing Practice

Write the sentences in the past continuous.

1. Harper is cutting the melon. _____
2. I am packing my bag. _____
3. Tim and Amy are drinking juice. _____
4. Tammy isn't lying on the floor. _____
5. Is he making a model car? _____
6. They aren't watering the flowers. _____

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