

GRADE 8 - UNIT 9 - LESSON 2

Exercise 7: Fill in each blank with the correct form of the verb in the past continuous

1. They (have) _____ a discussion about natural disasters at 9 a.m. yesterday.
2. ____ you (talk) _____ with your classmates when the teacher came in?
3. While my mother (water) _____ the flowers in the garden, she heard a warning about the coming storm.
4. My brother (not do) _____ his homework at 8 p.m. yesterday. He (play) _____ computer games.
5. We (watch) _____ news on TV when we heard a big noise.

Exercise 8: Fill in each blank with the correct tense of the verb in brackets. Use the past continuous or the past simple.

1. When the earthquake (happen) _____, they (do) _____ their homework.
2. ____ you (talk) _____ to your friend on the phone at 9 p.m. yesterday?
3. While he (cook) _____ dinner, his mother (come) _____ home.
4. Dark clouds (gather) _____ and after a few minutes, the storm (break) _____.
5. What ____ they (do) _____ when you (arrive) _____ at their house?

Exercise 9: Choose A, B, C, or D to indicate the incorrect part.

1. When I was going to school, I was seeing an old friend.
A B C D
2. I wasn't go for a walk because it was raining.
A B C D
3. While we returned home, he was still working.
A B C D
4. I listened to the radio, so I didn't hear the fire alarm.
A B C D
5. What was you doing when the earthquake started?
A B C D

Exercise 10: Give the correct form of the verbs in brackets to complete the passage

1. When I (receive) _____ the postcard, I couldn't know who (send) _____ it.
2. The volcano (erupt) _____ and threatened hundreds of people by last summer.
3. As soon as I (read) _____ the essay, I knew I (make) _____ some mistakes
4. Nurses really should (pay) _____ more than they are
5. Many human bones (find) _____ in this area by archeologists recently.
6. New York (say) _____ to be one of the most dangerous cities in the world.
7. An avalanche (bury) _____ the whole team before the rescue team (arrive)
