

2B

Grammar

Past continuous

I can use the past continuous.

1 Complete the sentences with the past continuous form of the verbs in brackets.

- 1 Yesterday at 6 p.m. we _____ (have) dinner.
- 2 Harry _____ (not listen) so he didn't know how to do the exercise.
- 3 Kate _____ (lie) on the beach and Anna _____ (eat) an ice cream.
- 4 Sam and Ryan _____ (smile) and Nancy _____ (take) a photo of them.
- 5 Why _____ you and Zoe _____ (argue)?
- 6 Hannah was annoyed because a man on the train _____ (talk) loudly on his mobile.
- 7 At 1 a.m. Fred _____ still _____ (chat) with his friends on Facebook.
- 8 My eyes were closed, but I _____ (not sleep).

2 Write sentences. Use the past continuous.

- 1 Jake / ride / his bike

Jake was riding his bike.

- 2 the sun / shine ?

- 3 it / not rain

- 4 where / he / go ?

- 5 he / not wear / a helmet

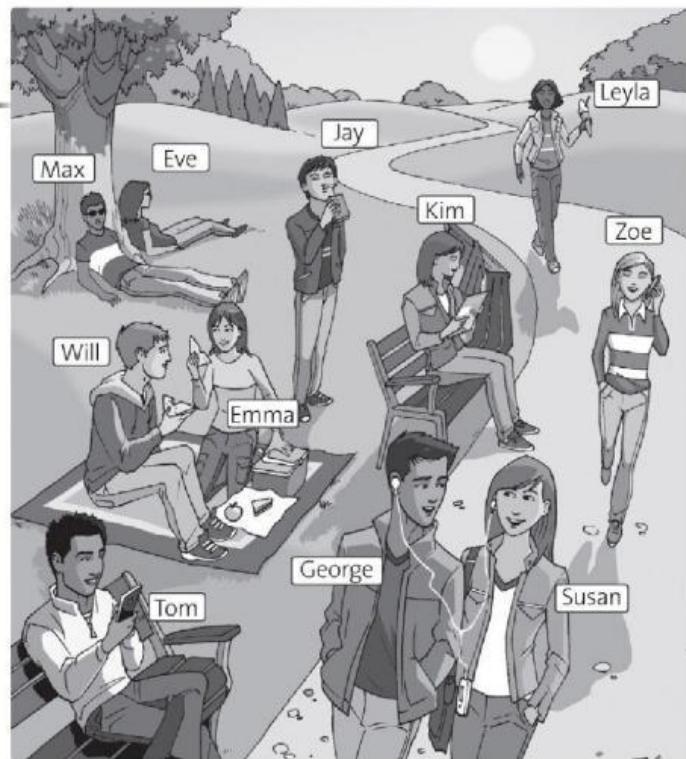
3 Complete the text with the past continuous form of the verbs below.

carry follow hurry
leave rain stand
wear not wear



When I got off the coach in London, the weather was awful.

It ¹ _____ and there was a cold wind. A short, fat man, who ² _____ a hat and ³ _____ a small briefcase, got off after me. It was five o'clock and lots of people ⁴ _____ work and ⁵ _____ to catch the bus or the Underground. I ⁶ _____ a raincoat so I went into a department store and bought a cheap umbrella. When I came out, the short, fat man from the bus ⁷ _____ outside the department store. ⁸ _____ he _____ me?



4 What was happening at the park yesterday afternoon?

Complete the sentences, using the verbs and phrases below. Use the past continuous.

eat an ice cream drink fruit juice have a picnic listen to music
phone someone read a magazine shine sunbathe text

- 1 Tom was texting.

- 2 Will and Emma _____

- 3 Kim _____

- 4 Max and Eve _____

- 5 George and Susan _____

- 6 Jay _____

- 7 Leyla _____

- 8 Zoe _____

- 9 The sun _____

5 Write questions with *you* in the past continuous.

Then write true answers.

1.30 p.m. yesterday 10.30 p.m. yesterday
on this day last year 3 a.m. this morning
7.30 p.m. yesterday 8.30 a.m. this morning

- 1 What were you doing at 1.30 p.m. yesterday?

I was ... _____ ?

- 2 _____ ?

- 3 _____ ?

- 4 _____ ?

- 5 _____ ?

- 6 _____ ?