

3 Read all about it

GRAMMAR

past simple and past continuous

1 Choose the correct verb forms to complete the sentences.

- 1 I **found** / **was finding** some money while I **walked** / **was walking** through the park.
- 2 Jack **got** / **was getting** home and **saw** / **was seeing** that there was a letter for him.
- 3 While we **swam** / **were swimming** in the sea, someone **stole** / **was stealing** our clothes!
- 4 Everyone in the crowd **started** / **was starting** singing when he **scored** / **was scoring** his third goal!
- 5 I **fell** / **was falling** when I **ran** / **was running** for the bus.
- 6 Lisa **told** / **was telling** her mum all about it when she **arrived** / **was arriving** home.
- 7 My brother **became** / **was becoming** ill while we **camped** / **were camping** last year.
- 8 We **decided** / **were deciding** to play tennis because the sun **shone** / **was shining**.

2  3.1 Complete the news stories with the correct verb forms. Listen and check.

3 Rewrite each pair of sentences as one sentence. Use the word in brackets.

- 1 I arrived home. It was raining.
It home. (when)
- 2 Paul was playing football. He hurt his leg.
Paul football. (while)
- 3 Sara left school. She got a job.
Sara school. (when)
- 4 I met George in New York. I was living there.
I in New York. (while)
- 5 I told Ana the joke. She laughed.
Ana the joke. (her)
- 6 We were waiting at the bus stop. We saw Greg.
We at the bus stop. (waiting)

CRAZY NEWS!

Girl catches tennis ball in drink

At three o'clock last Saturday afternoon, 15-year-old Amy Jones ¹..... (watch) a game of tennis at Wimbledon when something funny happened. One of the players suddenly ²..... (hit) the ball badly, and it ³..... (fly) straight towards Amy. At that moment, Amy ⁴..... (drink) a cup of orange juice. Without thinking, she ⁵..... (hold) up her cup of orange juice and ⁶..... (catch) the ball in it! Everyone in the crowd ⁷..... (think) it was very funny!

