PAST SIMPLE – PAST CONTINUOUS

Read the following short stories and complete the blanks using the verbs in brackets in the correct form:

Lancelot

Once upon a time, in a faraway kingdom, there (1. be) _____ a brave knight named Sir Lancelot. He (2. ride) _____ through the enchanted forest when suddenly, he (3. see) _____ a dragon breathing fire. Sir Lancelot (4. draw) _____ his sword and (5. start) _____ to fight the dragon. While they _____(6. battle), a magical fairy (7. appear) _____ and (8. cast) _____ a spell on the dragon. The dragon (9. freeze) _____ in place, and Sir Lancelot (10. defeat) _____ it with one final blow. The kingdom (11. celebrate) _____ his victory for days to come.

Merlin

In the land of Mystoria, a young wizard named Merlin (1. study) _____ magic in his tower. One day, while he (2. practice) _____ spells, a mysterious owl (3. fly) _____ through the window. Merlin (4. watch) _____ while the owl (5. circle) _____ around the room. Suddenly, the owl (6. transform) _____ into a wise old wizard named Alaric. Alaric (7. warn) _____ Merlin about an approaching darkness that (8. threaten)_____ the kingdom. Together, they (9. devise) _____ a plan to protect Mystoria from the evil forces.