4. Choose the correct verb phrase.

1. Dana … a song when her sister called.
   a. downloading b. was downloading
2. The driver … when he had the accident.
   a. is texting b. was texting
3. At 5:00 yesterday afternoon, the volleyball team … the first game.
   a. was playing b. playing
4. Was Jenny … home from school yesterday when you saw her?
   a. walked b. walking
5. Were you mountain … when the rain started?
   a. biking b. bike
6. They … paying attention to the teacher, so they didn't know when the project was due.
   a. didn't b. weren't

5. Complete the conversations with the past continuous.



Jake: Was your mom _____ (your mom / talk) on phone when she had the accident?

Michael: Are you kidding? My mom's a safe driver. She was paying _____ (she / pay) attention. The accident wasn't her fault!

Allison: _____ (your parents / drive) home from the movies at about 10:00 last night?

Jessica: No. They got home at about 9:30. At 10:00, _____ (we / eat) dinner. Why?

Allison: Because my parents said there was a ton of traffic. Luckily, _____ (they / walk).

Shep: Hey, Mom. When did you get home?

Mom: Just a few minutes ago. _____ (you / cook) something?

Shep: I was. _____ (I / make) dinner as a surprise.

Mom: That's really nice, Shep. But what a mess!

Shep: I know, Mom. But _____ _____ (I / clean up)

6. Complete each statement or question with the past continuous or the simple past tense.

1. We **kayaked** / **were kayaking** with our friends when a huge shark **was swimming** / **swam** near our kayak.
2. **Was your little brother riding** / **Did your little brother ride** his bike in the park this morning at about 10:00? I think I **saw** / **was seeing** him there.
3. Luckily, my mom **wore** / **was wearing** a helmet while she **rode** / **was riding** her horse, because the horse **was falling** / **fell** and hurt its leg.
4. Jen **was taking** / **took** a shower when her sister **was getting** / **got** home from school.

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