

**Fill in the correct form of the past tense: simple or progressive.**

1. While the policeman \_\_\_\_\_ out of the window, he \_\_\_\_\_ that a blue SUV \_\_\_\_\_ down the road. **(LOOK, NOTICE, PARK)**
2. I \_\_\_\_\_ on my report when the phone \_\_\_\_\_. My wife \_\_\_\_\_ to know when I \_\_\_\_\_ home. **(WORK, RING, WANT, COME)**
3. He \_\_\_\_\_ down the street when he \_\_\_\_\_ his old schoolteacher on the other side. **(WALK, SEE)**
4. During the time I \_\_\_\_\_ in South Africa I never \_\_\_\_\_ a serious crime. **(SPEND, SEE)**
5. While they \_\_\_\_\_ lunch at the new restaurant, a journalist \_\_\_\_\_ up to them and \_\_\_\_\_ to ask a few questions. **(HAVE, COME, WANT)**
6. The farmer \_\_\_\_\_ the whole neighbourhood with fruit and vegetables. **(SUPPLY)**
7. The hairdresser \_\_\_\_\_ up her shop, \_\_\_\_\_ into the car and \_\_\_\_\_ home. **(LOCK, GET, DRIVE)**
8. My brother \_\_\_\_\_ to contact me at the office, but he \_\_\_\_\_ me because I \_\_\_\_\_ lunch with a customer. **(TRY, CANNOT REACH, HAVE)**
9. Jack \_\_\_\_\_ over the carpet because he \_\_\_\_\_ attention to where he \_\_\_\_\_. **(TRIP, NOT PAY, GO)**
10. Where \_\_\_\_\_ when I \_\_\_\_\_ across you yesterday? **(YOU GO, COME)**
11. I \_\_\_\_\_ him off at the airport when the police \_\_\_\_\_ and \_\_\_\_\_ him. **(SEE, COME, ARREST)**
12. The old man \_\_\_\_\_ on the pavement, so James \_\_\_\_\_ to help him. **(FALL, STOP)**
13. How \_\_\_\_\_ your leg? – Well, I \_\_\_\_\_ on the ladder when, suddenly, I \_\_\_\_\_ my balance and \_\_\_\_\_. **(YOU BREAK, STAND, LOSE, FALL)**
14. She \_\_\_\_\_ in France at the time she \_\_\_\_\_ the bad news. **(LIVE, RECEIVE)**
15. I \_\_\_\_\_ the new Prime Minister while I \_\_\_\_\_ the press conference. **(MEET, ATTEND)**
16. While I \_\_\_\_\_ on the motorway, more and more police cars \_\_\_\_\_ in my direction. **(DRIVE, COME)**