

# Grammar training

## Past Simple or Continuous?

Look at the sentences below and choose the correct answer in each space.



1. They \_\_\_\_\_ (come) into the café, \_\_\_\_\_ (order) their coffee, and \_\_\_\_\_ (pay) before they \_\_\_\_\_ (leave).
2. Claire \_\_\_\_\_ (buy) souvenirs when she \_\_\_\_\_ (bump) into an old friend from school.
3. While Ellie \_\_\_\_\_ (search) for her passport, her brother \_\_\_\_\_ (wait) impatiently in the car.
4. They \_\_\_\_\_ (plan) their summer vacation when they \_\_\_\_\_ (realize) they needed to renew their passports.
5. The high school students \_\_\_\_\_ (study) in the library when the fire alarm \_\_\_\_\_ (go off).
6. The friends \_\_\_\_\_ (explore) a new city when they \_\_\_\_\_ (get) lost and had to ask for directions.
7. The teenagers \_\_\_\_\_ (try) on clothes at the mall when they \_\_\_\_\_ (understand) the store was about to close.
8. Mia \_\_\_\_\_ (prepare) a surprise party for her best friend when she accidentally \_\_\_\_\_ (send) the invitation to the wrong person.
9. Lucas \_\_\_\_\_ (watch) a travel documentary when he \_\_\_\_\_ (decide) to book his next trip.
10. The friends \_\_\_\_\_ (plan) a road trip when their car \_\_\_\_\_ (break) down unexpectedly.
11. The waiter \_\_\_\_\_ (come) to our table and \_\_\_\_\_ (take) our order.
12. She \_\_\_\_\_ (smile) at the little girl, and the girl \_\_\_\_\_ (wave) back with excitement.
13. I \_\_\_\_\_ (drop) my phone while I \_\_\_\_\_ (run) to catch the bus.
14. While tourists \_\_\_\_\_ (admire) the painting in the gallery, someone \_\_\_\_\_ (steal) a bag from one of the visitors.

