

Past continuous, linking words

- 1** Complete the sentences using the positive or negative past continuous form of the verbs in brackets.

What was happening at 2:00 pm on the beach yesterday?

- It was warm and it _____ (rain). ✗
- Some children _____ (play) football. ✓
- Two women _____ (buy) ice creams. ✓
- They _____ (have) a picnic. ✗
- A little boy _____ (cry) because a dog ate his ice cream. ✓

- 2** Match to make sentences.

- Everyone was happy because _____
- A boy shouted when _____
- We stayed in the hotel because _____
- We were cold and tired but _____
- Some people were talking and _____

- having a good time.
- we still went to the party.
- it was raining outside.
- they were going on holiday.
- he saw a snake on the path.

Past simple and past continuous

- 3** Complete the sentences with the verbs in the box.

arrived | broke | lost | started | was shining
was skiing | was visiting | were eating
were playing | woke up

- We _____ tennis in the garden when it _____ raining.
- Matt _____ his leg when he _____.
- Glenn _____ Canada when he _____ his passport.
- We _____ dinner when our cousins _____.
- The sun _____ when we _____ this morning.

- 4** Use the prompts to write sentences using the past simple and past continuous in every sentence.

- we / cycle / by / the river / when / I / hear / strange / noise

- my dad / fall asleep / while / he / lie / in the sun

- what / children / do / when / you / left / the house?

- while / she / talk / to the class / the lights / go out

- we / meet / some interesting people / while / we / travel / in Portugal

Unit round-up

- 5** Choose the best answer (A, B or C) to fill each gap.

Our school trip

Every year in June, there is a school trip. We usually go somewhere in the UK, (1) _____ last year we went to Slovenia. We didn't go by plane (2) _____ the flights were really expensive. We went by bus. We left London at midday on Thursday (3) _____ arrived in the capital, Ljubljana, on Friday afternoon. We took a boat across the sea and then we drove through France, Germany and Austria. While we (4) _____, we sang songs and watched some really cool films.

When we arrived in Ljubljana, it was sunny and thousands of tourists (5) _____ in the Old Town. It was so beautiful. After two days in the capital, we (6) _____ a bus to a small village called Kostanjevica na Krki in the east of the country. We stayed in the local school and took trips to the mountains with local students. One day, while we (7) _____ in the forest, I was scared (8) _____ I thought I heard a bear. Slovenia is an amazing country and the people were so friendly. I really want to go back there.

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| 1 A because | B but | C and |
| 2 A and | B because | C but |
| 3 A but | B and | C because |
| 4 A were travelling | B travelled | C was travelling |
| 5 A walked | B were walking | C walking |
| 6 A took | B was taking | C were taking |
| 7 A walked | B was walking | C were walking |
| 8 A and | B but | C because |