

PRESENT PARTICIPLE CLAUSES

Task One. Read both sentences. Then fill in the blank with the correct form of the present participle.

1. He continued to wait for the bus as he smiled to himself.
_____ to himself, he continued to wait for the bus.

2. The children ran in the park and they were shouting happily.
_____ happily, the children ran in the park.

3. As she drove along down the road and she sang loudly.
_____ loudly, she drove along down the road.

4. We sat in a café and talked about our holiday.
_____ in a café, we talked about our holiday.

5. He was lying on the sofa while he watched a football match
_____ on the sofa, he watched a football match.



Task Two. Read the first sentence. Then choose between A and B the sentence that means the same.

1 Waiting at the bus stop, she read a magazine.

- A) She read a magazine while she was waiting.
- B) She read a magazine after the bus arrived.

2 Playing the piano, he entertained the guests.

- A) He entertained the guests by playing the piano.
- B) He entertained the guests before playing the piano.

3 Walking through the park, they saw some ducks.

- A) They saw ducks before entering the park.
- B) They saw ducks while they were in the park.



4 Carrying an umbrella, she stayed dry in the rain.

- A) She stayed dry because she had an umbrella.
- B) She stayed dry and then bought an umbrella.

5. Talking on the phone, she forgot to lock the door.

- A) She forgot to lock the door before she called someone.
- B) She forgot to lock the door while she was talking on the phone.