

PAST CONTINUOUS OR PAST SIMPLE

Choose the correct answer.

- 1 The plane **WAS FLYING** | **FLEW** to Paris when it crashed.
- 2 The students **WAITED** | **WERE WAITING** for the bus when it started to rain.
- 3 We were crossing when the traffic lights **TURNED** | **WAS TURNING** red.
- 4 When their mother called, the children **PLAYED** | **WERE PLAYING** games.
- 5 Sue **WAS WASHING** | **WASHED** the dishes when the phone rang.
- 6 My father **WAS COOKING** | **COOKED** lunch when I got home.
- 7 Jim **WAS BREAKING** | **BROKE** his leg when he was playing golf.
- 8 My brother was jumping on the bed when my mum **WALKED** | **WAS WALKING** in.
- 9 Someone **was taking** / **took** Peter's bag while he was making a phone call.

Put the verbs in brackets into the past simple or past continuous.

- 1 When the teacher (come) into the room, two boys (play) football.
- 2 She (arrive) home when we (have) dinner.
- 3 When Helen (walk) to school, she (see) the old man again.
- 4 When we (run) in the park, Mary (fall over).
5. I (read) a book when the lights (go) out.
- 6 When Kate (drink) some milk, she (drop) the glass.
- 7 I (listen) to music when the doorbell (ring).