

## PAST SIMPLE AND PAST CONTINUOUS

### Exercise 7

Complete the sentences using the correct forms of the verbs in brackets.

His phone **rang** while he **was doing** the exam. (ring/do)

1. May \_\_\_\_\_ sweets when her tooth \_\_\_\_\_. (eat/break)
2. While I \_\_\_\_\_ the door, I \_\_\_\_\_ white paint on my trousers. (paint/get)
3. What \_\_\_\_\_ they \_\_\_\_\_ about when we \_\_\_\_\_ into the room? (talk/come)
4. While we \_\_\_\_\_ at the bus stop, we \_\_\_\_\_ an accident. (wait/see)
5. What \_\_\_\_\_ you \_\_\_\_\_ while you \_\_\_\_\_ with your mum? (buy/shop)
6. She \_\_\_\_\_ to the shops when someone \_\_\_\_\_ her handbag. (walk/steal)
7. While I \_\_\_\_\_ on the beach, my brother \_\_\_\_\_ for a swim. (lie/go)
8. Sam \_\_\_\_\_ on the bus when a bird \_\_\_\_\_ in through the window. (sit/fly)
9. \_\_\_\_\_ you \_\_\_\_\_ your phone while you \_\_\_\_\_ for the bus? (drop/run)
10. I \_\_\_\_\_ to music when my dad \_\_\_\_\_ me to switch it off. (listen/tell)

## Exercise 10

Complete the text with the past simple or past continuous form of the verbs in brackets.

We **were sitting** (sit) in the back of a big jeep.

No one 1 \_\_\_\_\_ (talk). All of us 2 \_\_\_\_\_ (look) intently through the windows of the car.

Outside the African sun 3 \_\_\_\_\_ (shine), hot and bright, but nothing 4 \_\_\_\_\_ (move).

Then suddenly, we 5 \_\_\_\_\_ (see) it – an elephant. It 6 \_\_\_\_\_ (appear) from a small group of trees and 7 \_\_\_\_\_ (start) to walk slowly towards the jeep. While it 8 \_\_\_\_\_ (come) towards us, I 9 \_\_\_\_\_ (get) my camera and 10 \_\_\_\_\_ (take) some photos.

The elephant 11 \_\_\_\_\_ (continue) in our direction. It was huge, much bigger than you 12 \_\_\_\_\_ (can) imagine.

Someone asked the guide, "Is this dangerous? Will the elephant stop?"

The guide 13 \_\_\_\_\_ (not say) anything. He switched off the car engine and 14 \_\_\_\_\_ (give) a signal to be silent.

Now some of us were getting nervous. My hands 15 \_\_\_\_\_ (shake) and my heart 16 \_\_\_\_\_ (beat) very fast.

The elephant 17 \_\_\_\_\_ (stop). It looked at the jeep for a long time. Then it simply 18 \_\_\_\_\_ (turn) around and 19 \_\_\_\_\_ (walk) back into the trees.

Everyone breathed again. It was amazing!