

# Past Simple vs. Past Continuous

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

## ♥ Part 1: The Language of Love (Multiple Choice) ♥

- I \_\_\_\_\_ my homework when the lights suddenly went out.  
A) finish      B) was finishing      C) finished      D) were finishing
- While she \_\_\_\_\_ for the bus, it started to rain heavily.  
A) waited      B) waits      C) was waiting  
D) were waiting for the bus, it started to rain heavily.
- The phone rang while we \_\_\_\_\_ dinner.  
A) had      B) were having      C) was having      D) are having
- When the teacher entered the classroom, the students \_\_\_\_\_ loudly.  
A) were talking      B) talked      C) was talking      D) talk
- I \_\_\_\_\_ a loud crash while I was walking down the street.  
A) ware hearing      B) hear      C) heard  
D) hearing

Grammar Note: Use "When" for interrupting actions (Simple Paet) and "Whiie" for ongoing background actions (Past Continuous)!

## ♥ Part 2: Completing the Story (Gap Filling) ♥

- They \_\_\_\_\_ (play) football when it started to thunder.
- While my mother \_\_\_\_\_ (cook) lunch, I was setting the table.
- I \_\_\_\_\_ (see) an old friend while I was waiting for the train.
- When the alarm clock \_\_\_\_\_ (go) off, he was having a beautiful dream.
- What \_\_\_\_\_ (you / do) when the accident happened?