

PAST SIMPLE VS. PAST CONTINUOUS



Complete the text with the correct form of the verbs in brackets.

Last summer I ¹ went (go) to Los Angeles to stay with my cousin for a few weeks. One afternoon we ² _____ (have) lunch in a nice restaurant in the centre of town when my cousin ³ _____ (get) a call on her mobile phone and went outside to talk. While she ⁴ _____ (speak) to her friend, I suddenly ⁵ _____ (notice) a man in a black hat who ⁶ _____ (sit) at the next table. It was the actor Johnny Depp! He was alone, so I ⁷ _____ (decide) to take my chance. I got up and ⁸ _____ (go) to his table.

‘Excuse me, could I have a photo with you?’ I asked. He ⁹ _____ (say) yes, so I ¹⁰ _____ (stop) a waitress who ¹¹ _____ (pass) by and gave her my camera. She ¹² _____ (take) the photo of me and Johnny, I thanked them both, and then I returned to my table. When my cousin ¹³ _____ (come) back, I ¹⁴ _____ (smile).

‘Why are you so happy?’ she asked.

‘I have a photo with Johnny Depp!’

‘Johnny Depp? Where is he?’

‘He’s sitting over there. Look!’

She turned around to look and ten started to laugh.

‘That’s not Johnny Depp!’

I ¹⁵ _____ (look) at the man in the black hat ... he ¹⁶ _____ (laugh) too.