GRAMMAR

Past Simple : Past Continuous

A) Circle the correct answers.

1) Sam took a shower, had breakfast and ..... for school.

A) left B) was leaving

2) I was sure I ..... the answer to the question.

A) knew B) was knowing

3) Glen was chopping broccoli when he ..... a knife.

A) dropped B) was dropping

4) Frank ..... a coffee with his friends last Sunday morning.

A) had B) was having

5) We ..... a new fridge last month.

A) bought B) was buying

6) Peter was cooking the rice while Andrew ..... the chicken.

A) fried B) was frying

7) The waiters were rushing around and the diners ..... when I arrived

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at the restaurant.

A) ate B) were eating

8) When you phoned me last night, I ..... Master Chef.

A) watched B) was watching

B) Complete the sentences with the Past Simple or Past Continuous form of the verbs in brackets.

1) The customers ..... (hate) the food, so the restaurant ..... (close)

A) hated, closed B) was hating, was closing

C) was hating, closed D) hated, was closing

2) The chef ..... (watch) TV so he ..... (forget) about the food.

A) watched, forgot B) was watching, was forgetting

C) was watching, forgot D) watched, was forgetting

3) While the waiter .....(talk) to Mrs Green, he .....(drop) the food on her.

A) talked, dropped B) was talking, was dropping

C) was talking, dropped D) talked, was dropping

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4) First, I .....(fry) the fish and then I ..... (boil) the eggs.

A) fried, boiled
B) was frying, was boiling
C) was frying, boiled
D) fried, was boiling

5) Don't worry. We ..... (not have) dinner when you ..... (call).

A) didn't have, called
B) weren't having, were calling
C) weren't having, called
D) didn't have, were calling

6) I .....(order) a dessert after my spaghetti, but I .....(be) too fool to eat it.

A) ordered, was
B) was ordering, was being
C) was ordering, was
D) ordered, was being

7) Veronica .....(read) a cookbook while her children ..... (play) in the garden.

A) read, were playing
B) was reading, were playing
C) was reading, played
D) read, were playing

8) Fred ..... (not go) to the restaurant because he .....(not feel) well.

A) didn't go, didn't feel
B) wasn't going, wasn't feeling
C) wasn't going, didn't feel
D) didn't go, wasn't feeling

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