KULYKOVSKA'S ENGLISH STUDIO

PAST SIMPLE vs PAST CONTINUOUS

Choose the correct alternative • Pre-Intermediate

Name: _____ Date: _____

Choose the correct alternative.

A What happened to your sister's foot?
B She **1** (cut / was cutting) a cake when she **2** (dropped / was dropping) the knife. She **3** (didn't think / wasn't thinking) properly, and she **4** (tried / was trying) to stop the knife with her foot.

A What happened to Adrian's eye?
B He **5** (read / was reading) the messages on his phone while he **6** (went / was going) into his house. He **7** (didn't look / wasn't looking) up, so he **8** (walked / was walking) into the door.

A What's wrong with your toe?
B I **9** (broke / was breaking) it while I **10** (played / was playing) with a ball at a party. When the ball **11** (landed / was landing) on the floor, I **12** (kicked / was kicking) the floor, not the ball.

Remember: Past Simple = a completed action. Past Continuous = an action in progress in the past.

Check all 12 answers before you submit your work.

LIVEWORKSHEETS