

Past Simple; Past Continuous

A Circle the correct option.

- 1 Sam took a shower, had breakfast and left / **was leaving** for school.
- 2 I was sure I knew / **was knowing** the answer to the question.
- 3 Glen was chopping broccoli when he **dropped** / **was dropping** the knife.
- 4 Frank **had** / **was having** a coffee with his friends last Sunday morning.
- 5 We **bought** / **were buying** a new fridge last month.
- 6 Peter was cooking the rice while Andrew **fried** / **was frying** the chicken.
- 7 The waiters were rushing around and the diners **ate** / **were eating** when I arrived at the restaurant.
- 8 When you phoned me last night, I **watched** / **was watching** MasterChef.

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

- 1 The customers _____ (hate) the food, so the restaurant _____ (close).
- 2 The chef _____ (watch) TV, so he _____ (forget) about the food.
- 3 While the waiter _____ (talk) to Mrs Green, he _____ (drop) the food on her.
- 4 First, I _____ (fry) the fish and then I _____ (boil) the eggs.
- 5 Don't worry. We _____ (not have) dinner when you _____ (call).
- 6 I _____ (order) a dessert after my spaghetti, but I _____ (be) too full to eat it.
- 7 Veronica _____ (read) a cookbook while her children _____ (play) in the garden.
- 8 Fred _____ (not go) to the restaurant because he _____ (not feel) well.