

1. Drag the options to their correct category :

Past simple

Past progressive

- Formed with the subject and the verb in the past simple.
- If the verb ends with *-e*, just add a *-d*.
- Shows us that the action was already in progress at a certain time in the past.
- Formed with the auxiliary *was* or *were* plus the gerund ending in *-ing* of the verb.
- Shows us that an action was in the past
- While
- When
- He travelled around the world.
- As I was having dinner, she was watching tv.

2. According to the rules for the past simple, write the correct form of the verbs:

Infinitive	Past simple	Infinitive	Past simple
answer		push	
brush		remember	
carry		return	
clean		arrest	
climb		ask	
close		save	
comb		scream	
cook		talk	
turn		study	
study		wash	

3. Choose the correct past continuous and past simple forms for the gaps below:

1. After the conference, I _____ that a man _____ the walls of the building.

a. was seeing / was painting

b. saw / was painting

c. was seeing / painted

2. He was so angry that he _____ and _____.

a. was getting up / left

b. got up / was leaving

c. got up / left

3. I _____ the vase while I _____ the bookshelf.

a. broke / was cleaning

b. broke / cleaned

c. was breaking / was cleaning

4. As soon as we walked into the room, we _____ a noise. Someone _____ my computer.

a. heard / used

b. were hearing / used

c. heard / was using

5. The bus in which the football team _____ had an accident, but nobody _____.

a. were travelling / died

b. travelled / died

c. were travelling / were dying

4. Choose the correct past continuous and past simple forms to complete the sentences below.

1. I _____ while I _____ down the stairs.

2. He _____ very fast when the police _____ him.

3. It when we home.

4. I your call because I .

5. This morning I and I breakfast for everybody.

5. Decide if each question or statement is correct or wrong:

1. I left home at six-thirty this morning and went to work.

- a) Correct
- b) Wrong

2. He was doing his homework when I called him.

- a) Correct
- b) Wrong

3. Did the storm wake you up? It was raining heavily all night.

- a) Correct
- b) Wrong

4. Stewart wasn't careful. He hit a tree and he was falling off his bike.

- a) Correct
- b) Wrong

5. I watched TV when I heard the phone ring.

- a) Correct
- b) Wrong

6. (A) Were you and John studying?
(B) Yes, we were.

- a) Correct
- b) Wrong

7. Sarah found a new job at an office downtown.

- a) Correct
- b) Wrong

8. I was washing the dishes and Tom was sweeping the floor.

- a) Correct
- b) Wrong

6. Past tense dictations, write what you hear:

1.
2.
3.
4.
5.

7. Find the mistakes and correct them:

1. While I chatted to Sue, the phone rang.

2. He is passing the ball to Jones and then ran down the pitch.

3. Who are they play against last summer?

4. No, we didn't went surfing in Australia last year.

5. I waited for you in the car park when it started to rain.

6. When he felt ill, he was taking some medicine. Then, he went to bed.

7. While he writing someone knocked at the door.

8. The story was started 18th century in a farmhouse.

9. I didn't driving the car at two yesterday.

10. Did you waiting your brother in the park this morning?
