

2B Grammar PAST SIMPLE vs. PAST CONTINUOUS

A. Look at the pictures and complete the sentences with the PAST SIMPLE and PAST CONTINUOUS form of the verbs in brackets.



1. I _____ when you _____ me the message. (sleep, send)
2. Susan _____ around Italy when she _____ her boyfriend. (travel, meet)
3. We _____ some old photos when we _____ the house. (find, clean)
4. They _____ for the bus when they _____ the accident. (wait, see)
5. It _____ to rain when they _____ to school. (start, cycle)
6. A dog _____ into the road when I _____ home. (run, drive)

B. Complete the story with the PAST SIMPLE or PAST CONTINUOUS form of the verbs in brackets. Write FULL FORMS of the negative forms of verbs, e.g., DID NOT, etc.



Last summer, I _____ (live) in Hawaii. One Saturday morning, I _____ (wake up) early, and it _____ (be) a beautiful day. The sun _____ (shine), and I _____ (feel) really happy. I _____ (not need) to go to work that day, so I _____ (decide) to go surfing. Most of my friends _____ (work) and my girlfriend _____ (visit) her parents, so I _____ (go) to the beach alone. When I _____ (arrive), the beach _____ (be) already crowded. A lot of people _____ (sunbathe), children _____

(play) games and people _____ (swim) in the sea. Everyone _____ (enjoy) the lovely summer day. I _____ (put) my things down on the beach, and then I _____ (begin) walking to the sea with my surfboard. Suddenly, a man _____ (shout), 'Shark! Shark! Get out of the water!' At first, I _____ (not can) see anything, but then I _____ (see) a big shark. Luckily, it _____ (not attack) anyone and _____ (swim) away quickly. I _____ (not stay) at the beach after that, and I _____ (go) home without going surfing!