11 **Look at the information about Alex and his brother Richard. Write sentences using the past simple and past continuous.**

Alex
August 1999 becomes a footballer
1999–2002 plays professional football
June 2002 breaks his leg and gives up football
January 2005 starts to learn Chinese
2006–2009 studies Chinese at university
August 2008 goes to the Beijing Olympics
2009–2011 works as a football coach in China

Richard
1998–2000 studies at school
October 2000 visits South America
2001–2004 studies Spanish at university
2005–2007 works for a company in England
May 2006 finds a job in Mexico
2006–2011 lives in Mexico
July 2010 gets married

▶ August 1999: Alex became a footballer while Richard was studying at school.

1 October 2000: _____.

2 June 2002: _____.

3 January 2005: _____.

4 May 2006: _____.

5 August 2008: _____.

6 July 2010: _____.

10 **Complete the text with the past simple or past continuous form of the verbs in brackets.**



We were sitting (sit) in the back of a big jeep. No one [1]_____ (talk). All of us [2]_____ (look) intently through the windows of the car. Outside the African sun [3]_____ (shine), hot and bright, but nothing [4]_____ (move).
Then suddenly, we [5]_____ (see) it – an elephant. It [6]_____ (appear) from a small group of trees and [7]_____ (start) to walk slowly towards the jeep. While it [8]_____ (come) towards us, I [9]_____ (get) my camera and [10]_____ (take) some photos.
The elephant [11]_____ (continue) in our direction. It was huge, much bigger than you [12]_____ (can) imagine.
Someone asked the guide, 'Is this dangerous? Will the elephant stop?' The guide [13]_____ (not say) anything. He switched off the car engine and [14]_____ (give) a signal to be silent.
Now some of us were getting nervous. My hands [15]_____ (shake) and my heart [16]_____ (beat) very fast.
The elephant [17]_____ (stop). It looked at the jeep for a long time. Then it simply [18]_____ (turn) around and [19]_____ (walk) back into the trees.
Everyone breathed again. It was amazing!

ài 12. Chia động từ ở trong ngoặc ở thì quá khứ tiếp diễn để hoàn thành câu

1. I lost my keys when I _____ (walk) home.
2. It was raining while we _____ (have) dinner.
3. I saw the department stores when I _____ (sit) on the bus.
4. Her phone rang while she _____ (talk) to her new boss.
5. My friends _____ (drive) to work when they heard the news on the radio.
6. He _____ (ride) his bicycle when the cat ran across the road.
7. We couldn't go to the beach yesterday because it _____. (rain)
8. It was a lovely day. The sun was shining and the birds _____ (sing) in the trees.
9. The tourist lost his camera while he _____ (walk) around the city.
10. The lorry _____ (go) very fast when it hit our car.
11. I _____ (walk) down the street when it began to rain.
12. At this time last year, I _____ (attend) an English course.
13. Jim _____ (stand) under the tree when he heard an explosion.
14. While I _____ (study) in my room, my roommates _____ (have) a party in the other room.
15. Mary and I _____ (dance) the house when the telephone rang.

Bài 13. Chia động từ trong ngoặc ở dạng thích hợp (quá khứ đơn hoặc quá khứ tiếp diễn)

1. Yesterday evening Tom _____ (have) a bath when the phone _____ (ring). He got out of the bath and _____ (answer) the phone.
2. I _____ (see) Tony in the park. He _____ (sit) on the grass and _____ (read) a book.
3. While I _____ (walk) in the garden, I _____ (hurt) my back.
4. Tommy _____ (burn) his hand when he _____ (cook)
5. the dinner.
6. George _____ (fall) off the ladder while he _____ (paint) the ceiling.
7. Last night, I _____ (read) in the bed when suddenly I _____ (hear) a scream.
8. _____ (you, watch) television when I phoned you?
9. Ann _____ (wait) for me when I _____ (arrive).
10. I _____ (not/drive) very fast when the accident _____ (happen).
11. I _____ (break) a plate last night. I _____ (do) the washing-up when it _____ (slip) out of my hand

6.4 **Put the verb into the correct form, past continuous or past simple.**

1 Jenny was waiting (wait) for me when I arrived (arrive).
2 'What _____ (you / do) at this time yesterday?' 'I was asleep.'
3 '_____ (you / go) out last night?' 'No, I was too tired.'
4 How fast _____ (you / drive) when the accident _____ (happen)?
5 Sam _____ (take) a picture of me while I _____ (not / look).
6 We were in a very difficult position. We _____ (not / know) what to do, so we _____ (do) nothing.
7 I haven't seen Alan for ages. When I last _____ (see) him, he _____ (try) to find a job.
8 I _____ (walk) along the street when suddenly I _____ (hear) something behind me. Somebody _____ (follow) me. I was scared and I _____ (start) to run.
9 When I was young, I _____ (want) to be a pilot. Later I _____ (change) my mind.
10 Last night I _____ (drop) a plate when I _____ (do) the washing up. Fortunately it _____ (not / break).

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