

Fill in the correct form of the past tense: simple or progressive.

1. While the policeman _____ out of the window, he _____ that a blue SUV _____ down the road. **(LOOK, NOTICE, PARK)**
2. I _____ on my report when the phone _____. My wife _____ to know when I _____ home. **(WORK, RING, WANT, COME)**
3. He _____ down the street when he _____ his old schoolteacher on the other side. **(WALK, SEE)**
4. During the time I _____ in South Africa I never _____ a serious crime. **(SPEND, SEE)**
5. While they _____ lunch at the new restaurant, a journalist _____ up to them and _____ to ask a few questions. **(HAVE, COME, WANT)**
6. The farmer _____ the whole neighbourhood with fruit and vegetables. **(SUPPLY)**
7. The hairdresser _____ up her shop, _____ into the car and _____ home. **(LOCK, GET, DRIVE)**
8. My brother _____ to contact me at the office, but he _____ me because I _____ lunch with a customer. **(TRY, CANNOT REACH, HAVE)**
9. Jack _____ over the carpet because he _____ attention to where he _____. **(TRIP, NOT PAY, GO)**
10. Where _____ when I _____ across you yesterday? **(YOU GO, COME)**
11. I _____ him off at the airport when the police _____ and _____ him. **(SEE, COME, ARREST)**
12. The old man _____ on the pavement, so James _____ to help him. **(FALL, STOP)**
13. How _____ your leg? – Well, I _____ on the ladder when, suddenly, I _____ my balance and _____. **(YOU BREAK, STAND, LOSE, FALL)**
14. She _____ in France at the time she _____ the bad news. **(LIVE, RECEIVE)**
15. I _____ the new Prime Minister while I _____ the press conference. **(MEET, ATTEND)**
16. While I _____ on the motorway, more and more police cars _____ in my direction. **(DRIVE, COME)**