

# Past Simple vs. Past Continuous



Write the correct form of the verbs past simple or past continuous.

1. I (not see) \_\_\_\_\_ Susan, when I (walk) \_\_\_\_\_ in the park.
2. While she (do) \_\_\_\_\_ her homework, her father (come) \_\_\_\_\_ home.
3. When David (see) \_\_\_\_\_ Tom, he (not work) \_\_\_\_\_, he (sleep) \_\_\_\_\_ at his desk.
4. The burglar (come) \_\_\_\_\_ while they (play) \_\_\_\_\_ some loud music.
5. They (not hear) \_\_\_\_\_ the burglar because they (play) \_\_\_\_\_ the music too loudly.
6. The dog (bark) \_\_\_\_\_, but nobody (come) \_\_\_\_\_.
7. I (watch) \_\_\_\_\_ TV when my aunt (arrive) \_\_\_\_\_.
8. He (study) \_\_\_\_\_ in Salamanca when the Civil War (begin) \_\_\_\_\_.
9. The lion (not hunt) \_\_\_\_\_ when the man (shoot) \_\_\_\_\_ him.
10. We (play) \_\_\_\_\_ cards when the fire (start) \_\_\_\_\_.
11. He (give) \_\_\_\_\_ her the ring as the train (leave) \_\_\_\_\_.
12. They (see) \_\_\_\_\_ the monkeys while they (visit) \_\_\_\_\_ the zoo.
13. We (drive) \_\_\_\_\_ to the hospital when the baby (be born) \_\_\_\_\_.
14. Shakira (sing) \_\_\_\_\_ in a concert when she (lose) \_\_\_\_\_ her voice.
15. The police (stop) \_\_\_\_\_ me because I (not / wear) \_\_\_\_\_ any clothes.
16. What \_\_\_\_\_ (you / do) when the accident (happen) \_\_\_\_\_?
17. While we (walk) \_\_\_\_\_ in the mountains we (see) \_\_\_\_\_ bear tracks.

18. My neighbour (meet) \_\_\_\_\_ her husband while she (travel) \_\_\_\_\_ around Catalonia.

19. The students (play) \_\_\_\_\_ games on the computer when the teacher (arrive) \_\_\_\_\_.

20. Jim (break) \_\_\_\_\_ his leg when he (play) \_\_\_\_\_ golf.

21. I (see) \_\_\_\_\_ an old friend while I (wait) \_\_\_\_\_ for the bus.

22. My mother (lose) \_\_\_\_\_ her purse when she (walk) \_\_\_\_\_ home.

23. I (do) \_\_\_\_\_ my homework when the storm (begin) \_\_\_\_\_.

24. While I (have) \_\_\_\_\_ a shower, the lights (go out) \_\_\_\_\_.

25. When the bell (ring) \_\_\_\_\_, we (play) \_\_\_\_\_ football.

26. When the students (run) \_\_\_\_\_ in the park, Cristina (fall over) \_\_\_\_\_.

27. The storm (start) \_\_\_\_\_ while we (have) lunch \_\_\_\_\_.

28. My mother (cut) bread \_\_\_\_\_ when she (cut) \_\_\_\_\_ her finger.

29. What (you / do) \_\_\_\_\_ after you (get) \_\_\_\_\_ home? I (have) \_\_\_\_\_ a shower and then I (do) \_\_\_\_\_ my homework.

30. When I (leave) \_\_\_\_\_ school, I (go) \_\_\_\_\_ to Dublin and (study) \_\_\_\_\_ English for three months.

