Past Simple/ Past Continuous

A. Select the correct tense.

1. David was **sleeping / slept** when the alarm clock **was going off/ went off**.
2. Amelia **was dancing / danced** while Chloe **was singing / sang**.
3. What sports **did you like / were you liking** when you were younger?
4. I **was studying / studied** all day yesterday to prepare for the test.
5. The driver **stopped / was stopping** the bus for the passengers to get off.
6. **Did you have / Were you having** lunch when I called you?
7. I **used / was using** to work as a waitress when I studied at university.
8. Lucy **wasn't / didn't** stay up late last night.
9. My sister **got / was getting** up, **brushed / was brushing** her teeth, **put / was putting** on her clothes and left the house.
10. I **was washing / washed** the dishes while mum **was cooking / cooked**.
11. Shakespeare **wrote / was writing** *Hamlet*.
12. I **wasn't knowing / didn't know** how to swim three years ago.

B. Match the Past Simple to the Past Continuous form of the verbs.

WENT •	• WAS CATCHING
BOUGHT •	• WERE STEALING
CAUGHT •	• WAS GOING
SENT •	• WAS STANDING
TAUGHT •	• WERE SELLING
TOLD •	• WAS MAKING
WAS •	• WAS BUYING
STOLE •	• WERE TEACHING
STOOD •	• WERE TELLING
MADE •	• WERE KEEPING
KEPT •	• WAS BEING
SOLD •	• WERE SENDING

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