# Past Simple or Past Continuous Exercise

Fill in the blanks with Past Simple or Past Continuous:

1. He_____ (sleep) when the doorbell_____(ring).
2. We_____(eat) dinner at 8pm last night (we started eating at 7:30).
3. Yesterday I_____(go) to the post office,_____(buy) some fruit at the supermarket and_____(read) a book in the park in the afternoon.
4. We_____(watch) TV when we _____(hear) a loud noise.
5. Julie_____(be) in the garden when Laurence _____ (arrive).
6. A: What_____(you / do) at 3pm yesterday?

   B: I_____(clean) my house.
7. Last year I_____(visit) Paris and Rome.
8. They_____(have) dinner when the police _____ (come) to the door.
9. He_____ (work) in the garden when he_____(find) the money.
10. Laura_____(study) at 11pm last night.

11. I_____(walk) along the road when I_____ (meet) an old friend.

12. It_____(be) a day in December. Snow_____(fall), children_____(sing) carols and people_____(do) their Christmas shopping.

13. My ex-boyfriend_____(be) so annoying! He _____ (always / miss) the bus and_____(arrive) late.

14. When I_____(call) Julie, she_____(work).

15. Why_____(you / cry) when I_____(arrive)?

16. When he_____(get) home, we started to eat dinner.

17. At 10am yesterday I_____(sit) on a bus.

18. I_____(enjoy) my book so much that I_____(not / notice) the train had stopped.

19. David_____(not / sleep) when I_____(arrive), he _____(study)!

20. Mr Black_____(not / work) in the garden at 10pm last night.