

Grammar • Past simple and Past continuous

★ (1) Read the sentences. Write PS (Past simple) or PC (Past continuous).

- 1 They were watching TV. *PC*
- 2 Julia saw us.
- 3 We were sitting in the café.
- 4 She was writing an email.
- 5 The phone rang.
- 6 They heard a noise.

★ (3) Choose the correct options.

- 1 While we walked / were walking home, it started / was starting to rain.
- 2 I took / was taking a shower when the lights went out / were going out.
- 3 When Mom came / was coming home, Dad made / was making dinner in the kitchen.
- 4 Mrs. Ross slept / was sleeping when the thieves climbed / were climbing through the living room window.
- 5 I found / was finding this interesting website while I looked / was looking for information on the Internet.
- 6 The teacher came / was coming into the classroom while the students wrote / were writing on the board.

4 Complete the sentences with the Past simple and Past continuous forms of the verbs.

- 1 While the thief *was climbing* (climb) up the ladder, the police (arrive).



- 2 When the teacher (walk) into the classroom, the boys (fight).



- 3 you (play) loud music when I (call) you?



- 4 While Sam (ride) his bike in the park, he (lose) his cell phone.



5 Write sentences with the Past simple and Past continuous forms of the verbs.

1 while / Sam / run / he / drop / his money

While Sam was running, he dropped his money.

2 when / we / see / the thief / he / climb /
through the window

3 they / travel / around the world / when / they /
lose / their bags

4 my little brother / run / into the kitchen /
while / I / make / dinner

5 Susie / watch / movie / when / heard / noise

6 what / you / do / when / I / call?