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A. Fill in the gaps with the past simple of the verbs in brackets.

1. Yesterday, Hanna _____ (**post**) a letter to her cousins in Cape Town.
2. I _____ (**go**) to London two days ago for a business meeting.
3. They _____ (**eat**) at that fancy new restaurant last night.
4. Susan _____ (**go**) to bed at 9 p.m., _____ (**get up**) at 6 a.m. and _____ (**leave**) home around 11 to meet her father.
5. Last year, Peter _____ (**study**) hard for his exams.
6. It was a great trip, but I _____ (**not have**) time to see everything.
7. Alice _____ (**cook**) for herself when she was a student.
8. We _____ (**not/play**) basketball yesterday.
9. He _____ (**be**) very busy.
10. _____ (**he/watch**) TV last night?

B. Fill in the gaps with the past continuous of the verbs in brackets.

1. Susan _____ (**ask**) me the way to the cafeteria when you came in.
2. While they _____ (**try**) to figure out what was wrong with the computer the lights went out.
3. Last night, Kate _____ (**play**) snooker with her friends at the local pub.
4. My mother _____ (**phone**) my sister when I arrived home.
5. What _____ (**she/do**) yesterday afternoon? She _____ (**not work**).

C. Choose the correct answer - past simple or past continuous.

1. Alice **was having** / **had** lunch when I **was phoning** / **phoned** her.
2. Kim **wrote** / **was writing** a letter while George **was watching** / **watched** TV.
3. **Did you play** / **Were you playing** football when it **started** / **was starting** snowing?
4. They **paid** / **were paying** for their meal and **left** / **were leaving** the restaurant.
5. I **didn't sleep** / **wasn't sleeping** when my brother **came** / **was coming** home.

D. Fill in the gaps with the correct verb tense – **past simple** or **past continuous**:

1. Daniel and Frank _____ (walk) home when they _____ (hear) a strange noise.

2. I'm afraid I _____ (not hear) what you said.

3. I _____ (lose) my wallet when I _____ (play) football with my friends.

4. They _____ (have) a party when the lights _____ (go) out.

5. When they _____ (arrive) in Madrid it _____ (rain).

Good Work!