

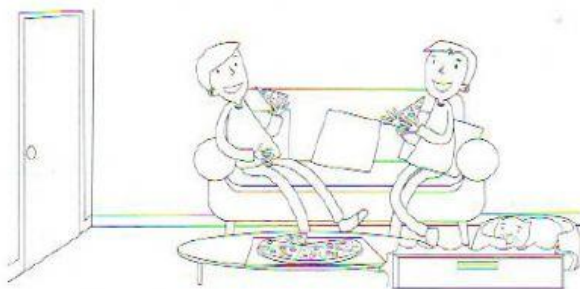
# 1 Match 1-5 to a-e.

- 1 I was sleeping in bed when
- 2 Grandma was drinking tea
- 3 My parents were playing tennis
- 4 I was watching TV
- 5 Dad was reading a book when

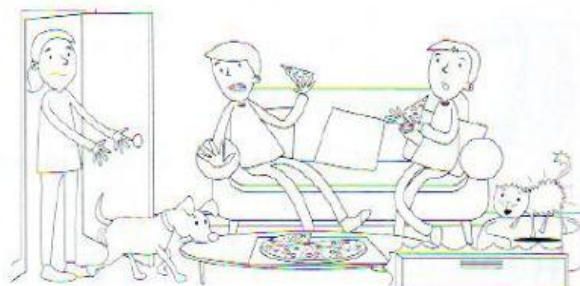
- a when she dropped her cup.
- b when my little brother changed the channel.
- c his phone rang.
- d I heard a loud noise.
- e when they lost the ball.

## 2 Complete the text with the Past Continuous or the Past Simple forms of the verbs in the box.

eat    hear    open    run    sleep    watch



Yesterday afternoon Doug and Neil  
<sup>1</sup> were watching a film on TV when their  
 sister <sup>2</sup> \_\_\_\_\_ the door.



They <sup>3</sup> \_\_\_\_\_ pizza when the dog  
<sup>4</sup> \_\_\_\_\_ fast into the room.  
 The cat <sup>5</sup> \_\_\_\_\_ in its bed when it  
<sup>6</sup> \_\_\_\_\_ the dog and got scared!

## 3 Circle the correct answer.

- 1 I \_\_\_\_\_ breakfast when Jack phoned me.  
 (a) was having      b had      c having
- 2 He was studying when his mum \_\_\_\_\_ in.  
 a was coming      b come      c came
- 3 They \_\_\_\_\_ football well when the other team scored!  
 a was playing      b were playing      c played
- 4 Dave was cooking \_\_\_\_\_ him.  
 a we visited      b when visited      c when we visited
- 5 Alan \_\_\_\_\_ he got my message.  
 a was vacuuming when b was when      c vacuumed when
- 6 I was looking for my phone when I \_\_\_\_\_ my tablet.  
 a found      b was finding      c find

## 4 Complete these sentences with your own ideas. Then compare with a partner. Are your sentences the same?

Dr Q was \_\_\_\_\_  
 when Pi turned  
 off the water.

Dr Q was  
 painting his new  
 picture when \_\_\_\_\_.

Pi was \_\_\_\_\_  
 when he heard  
 a loud noise.

Dr Q and Pi  
 were eating  
 pizza when they \_\_\_\_\_.

**1** Complete the dialogues with one word in each gap.

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A: You look upset . What \_\_\_\_\_?

B: I was watching TV when it stopped working.

A: I'm \_\_\_\_\_ to hear that.

2

A: You look \_\_\_\_\_. What's \_\_\_\_\_?

B: I was playing tennis when it started to rain!

A: That's a \_\_\_\_\_!

3

A: You look worried. \_\_\_\_\_ happened?

B: I was playing a video game when I broke the games console.

A: Oh, that's \_\_\_\_\_!

**2** Divide the words into categories: things you were doing and things that happened. Choose pairs of cards and act out your own dialogues. Use dialogues in Exercise 1 to help.

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|--------------------------------|----------------------------|--------------------------------|-----------------------------|
| <b>broke<br/>a window</b>      | <b>dropped it</b>          | <b>drying<br/>my hair</b>      | <b>going<br/>to school</b>  |
| <b>going to<br/>the cinema</b> | <b>laptop<br/>crashed</b>  | <b>lost my<br/>phone</b>       | <b>missed<br/>the bus</b>   |
| <b>playing<br/>football</b>    | <b>started<br/>to rain</b> | <b>stopped<br/>working</b>     | <b>texting<br/>a friend</b> |
| <b>using the<br/>blender</b>   | <b>broke it</b>            | <b>waiting for<br/>the bus</b> | <b>writing<br/>my essay</b> |