1 Complete the sentences with the correct forms of the verbs in brackets.

1 The postman _____ (deliver) the package when we _____ (eat) our breakfast.
2 I can't deal with this problem right now because I _____ (cook) lunch.
3 The bus _____ (just leave) when we _____ (arrive).
4 They _____ (not go) backpacking last summer.
5 Mum _____ (go) into town, but she'll be back in about an hour.
6 By the time the students arrived, the film _____ (begin).
7 _____ (you / believe) that his story is true? I'm not so sure.
8 When I was a child, I _____ (eat) meat, but now I'm vegetarian.

2 Correct the mistakes in the sentences. Write the mistaken word in an appropriate form.

1 Please excuse me for a minute while I do a call. _____
2 The students have got climbing today. _____
3 Please don't do excuses for your lateness. _____
4 Those trousers don't really make with your shoes. _____
5 I'm planning to make a tattoo of an eagle on my arm. _____
6 I wish that I could do surfing in Australia. _____
7 The climbers went on a terrible time before they were rescued. _____

3 Complete the second sentence so that it has the same meaning as the first sentence. If there is a word in brackets, use it.

1 I was interested in the new book.
The new book looked _____.
2 When I was younger, I used to ride my bicycle to school. (**would**)
When I _____.
3 First, I ate my breakfast, then I went to college. (**had**)
After I _____.
4 He didn't have any food for three days because he was very ill. (**go**)
He _____ for three days because he was very ill.
5 The students arrived at school two minutes ago. (**just**)
The students _____.
6 This isn't the first time Kim has seen this film. (**already**)
Kim _____.
7 The boys were exhausted after their long journey.
The boys' long journey was _____.
8 I had a job in Cyprus; I met Christo there. (**working**)
While I _____.

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