

## 2B GRAMMAR past continuous

- a** Look at the pictures and complete the sentences with the past simple and past continuous form of the verbs in brackets.



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| 1 I <u>was sleeping</u> when you <u>sent</u> me the message. (sleep, send) | 4 They _____ for the bus when they _____ the accident. (wait, see) |
| 2 Susan _____ around Italy when she _____ her boyfriend. (travel, meet)    | 5 It _____ to rain when they _____ to school. (start, cycle)       |
| 3 We _____ some old photos when we _____ the house. (find, clean)          | 6 A dog _____ into the road when I _____ home. (run, drive)        |

- b** Complete the story with the past simple or past continuous form of the verbs in brackets.



Last summer, I <sup>1</sup> was living (live) in Hawaii. One Saturday morning, I <sup>2</sup> \_\_\_\_\_ (wake up) early, and it <sup>3</sup> \_\_\_\_\_ (be) a beautiful day. The sun <sup>4</sup> \_\_\_\_\_ (shine), and I <sup>5</sup> \_\_\_\_\_ (feel) really happy. I <sup>6</sup> \_\_\_\_\_ (not need) to go to work that day, so I <sup>7</sup> \_\_\_\_\_ (decide) to go surfing. Most of my friends <sup>8</sup> \_\_\_\_\_ (work) and my girlfriend <sup>9</sup> \_\_\_\_\_ (visit) her parents, so I <sup>10</sup> \_\_\_\_\_ (go) to the beach alone. When I <sup>11</sup> \_\_\_\_\_ (arrive), the beach <sup>12</sup> \_\_\_\_\_ (be) already crowded. A lot of people <sup>13</sup> \_\_\_\_\_ (sunbathe), children

<sup>14</sup> \_\_\_\_\_ (play) games and people <sup>15</sup> \_\_\_\_\_ (swim) in the sea. Everyone <sup>16</sup> \_\_\_\_\_ (enjoy) the lovely summer day. I <sup>17</sup> \_\_\_\_\_ (put) my things down on the beach, and then I <sup>18</sup> \_\_\_\_\_ (begin) walking to the sea with my surfboard. Suddenly, a man <sup>19</sup> \_\_\_\_\_ (shout), 'Shark! Shark! Get out of the water!' At first, I <sup>20</sup> \_\_\_\_\_ (not can) see anything, but then I <sup>21</sup> \_\_\_\_\_ (see) a big shark. Luckily, it <sup>22</sup> \_\_\_\_\_ (not attack) anyone and <sup>23</sup> \_\_\_\_\_ (swim) away quickly. I <sup>24</sup> \_\_\_\_\_ (not stay) at the beach after that, and I <sup>25</sup> \_\_\_\_\_ (go) home without going surfing!

### ACTIVATION

**Test your memory.** Cover the sentences in **a** and look at the pictures. Try to remember the sentences.