Unit 5 – Animals in danger

Grammar: Past continuous

What was *the shark* doing*?*
The shark was looking *for small sea animals. It* wasn't looking *for big fish.*
What were *the lobsters* doing*?*
The lobsters were walking *along the bottom of the tank. They* weren't swimming*.*

1. Circle the word that completes the sentence.

1. The dolphin (*was / were*) jumping out of the water.

2. The sharks (*was / were*) swimming away from us.

3. The seals (*was / were*) looking at us.

4. The whale (*was / were*) sleeping when we got to the aquarium.

2. Use the fragments to write a complete sentence in the <u>past continuous</u>.

1. The jellyfish / catch / a small fish.

The jellyfish was catching *a small fish.*

2. The seahorses / swim around / in the tank.

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3. The octopus / crawl / along the ocean floor.

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4. The oyster / not do / anything.

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5. The turtles / not swim / very fast.

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Grammar: Past continuous vs. Past simple

What were you doing when the lion escaped?
I was watching the koalas when the lions escaped! I wasn't watching the lion!

3. Choose the word(s) that best completes the sentence.

1. When I (*walked / was walking*) through the zoo I saw four lions!

2. While I was watching them, I (*heard / was hearing*) a parrot trying to talk!

3. When we (*arrived / were arriving*) at the zoo, two gorillas (*watched / were watching*) us.

4. We (*heard / were hearing*) a lion roar while we (*looked / were looking*) at the camels.

5. The rhinos (*slept / were sleeping*) when we (*saw / were seeing*) them.

6. We (*saw / were seeing*) a panda, but we (*didn't see / weren't seeing*) a polar bear because it's too hot at the zoo!

7. The panda (*ate / was eating*) bamboo but it (*didn't notice / wasn't noticing*) us.

8. While we (*watched / were watching*) the lions, a panda (*escaped / was escaping*)!