

A) Choose the correct option.

- 1 He ¹rescuing / was rescuing his cat from a tree when the accident ²happened / was happening.
He ³climbing / was climbing the tree when he ⁴fell / was falling and ⁵broke / was breaking his leg.
- 2 When we ⁶arrived / were arriving at the party, some of the guests ⁷got / were getting ready to leave.
The host ⁸came / was coming over to talk to us and we ⁹apologized / were apologizing for being late.
- 3 While I ¹⁰ate / was eating dinner last night I ¹¹heard / was hearing a loud noise. I ¹²went / was going over to the window and looked outside. It was dark, but someone ¹³moved / was moving across the garden toward the house. Immediately, I ¹⁴called / was calling the police.

B) Complete the dialogue using the simple past or the past continuous.

- A: ¹ Did you go (go) to Hugh's party last night?
- B: No, I didn't. In fact I ² (leave) my house to go to it when the phone rang.
My brother had a problem so I ³ (spend) the evening at his house.
Why? What ⁴ (happen)?
- A: Well, at around midnight, while everyone ⁵ (dance) and the band
⁶ (play), some thieves ⁷ (break) into the house.
- B: No! Really?
- A: Yes! Hugh ⁸ (not find out) till a few hours later.
- B: What ⁹ they (take)?
- A: Some money and jewelry from the upstairs.

C) Complete the text with the past perfect form of the verbs.

When I first met Mark, he was working for an advertising agency in London. He ¹ (recently finish) his MBA and he was very happy because his company ² (just offer) him a job in Tokyo. He ³ (never work) abroad before and he ⁴ (always want) to go to Japan. Then two weeks before he planned to leave, the company told him that they ⁵ (close) their office in Tokyo. He was so disappointed. He ⁶ (already book) his flight. He ⁷ (even start) learning Japanese. I ⁸ (just come back) from Tokyo. My company still (not find) ⁹ anyone to take my job. I told Mark to call them. Ten days later Mark's dreams ¹⁰ (come) true: he was finally in Japan!