

1 Complete the sentences. Use the past simple or the past continuous form of the verbs in brackets.

- 1 I _____ (have) a crash while I _____ (learn) to drive.
- 2 Sam _____ (get) his first job while he _____ (live) in London.
- 3 It _____ (rain), so we _____ (decide) to cancel the barbecue.
- 4 What _____ you _____ (do) when I _____ (see) you in town?
- 5 Emma _____ (not hear) the phone ringing because she _____ (listen) to music in her bedroom.
- 6 Ryan _____ (break) his arm while he _____ (ski) in France.
- 7 Harry _____ (work) as a chef when he _____ (meet) Sally.
- 8 You obviously _____ (not listen) when I _____ (ask) you to turn down the music.

3 Choose the best ending (a or b) for the sentences.

- 1 We couldn't open the front door because
a it had snowed all night. **b** it snowed all night.
- 2 It was a lovely spring day and the birds
a sang. **b** were singing.
- 3 I looked out of the window and noticed that
a it had stopped raining. **b** it was stopping raining.
- 4 The plants died because we
a were forgetting to water them.
b forgot to water them.
- 5 Before I left the house, I
a locked all the windows. **b** was locking all the windows.
- 6 I wasn't particularly hungry because
a I'd already had lunch. **b** I already had lunch.