

Past Simple and Past Continuous

1 Complete the dialogue with the Past Simple form of the verbs in brackets.

Ben: Hi, Zoe! What ⁰ did you do (you / do) yesterday?

Zoe: My sister and I ¹ (take) the bus to town.

We ² (want) to look at clothes in the shop windows.

Ben: ³ (you / find) anything nice?

Zoe: No, I didn't. I ⁴ (not like) anything.

Ben: What about your sister? ⁵ (she / buy) anything?

Zoe: Yes, she ⁶ (buy) some fantastic jeans. They were on sale.

Ben: That's great.

2 Complete the sentences with the correct form of the Past Continuous.

0 The children were having (have) breakfast at half past seven yesterday morning.

1 (it / rain) last night?

2 Mum (work) yesterday afternoon.

3 We (not play) football at four o'clock. We were at home.

4 We (visit) our grandparents last Saturday.

3 Choose the correct words.

0 The children were having breakfast when the postman arrived / was arriving.

1 While we camped / were camping, we heard a wild animal outside our tent.

2 Martha was walking home when she met / was meeting David.

3 We were doing our homework when our parents came / were coming home.

4 While I was playing tennis, I fell / was falling.

5 He slept / was sleeping when I phoned.

6 I was tidying / tidied my room when I found my keys.

7 While they climbed / were climbing the mountain, they had a bad accident.

8 What were you watching on TV when I called / was calling you?

9 We were putting on our coats while / when it started to snow.

10 While / When Jane was waiting for the bus, she saw her best friend.

11 I wasn't sleeping / didn't sleep when / while Dad arrived home from the airport.