

# Past Simple / Past continuous

## Exercise 1:

1. While we ..... to school, my brother ..... our friend John. (walk/see)
2. While I ..... the kitchen, Mary ..... home. (clean / come)
3. While she ..... the soup, the children ..... . (cook/play)
4. My uncle ....., while I ..... in the garden . (shout / sit)
5. While he ..... the piano, she ..... to him. (play/listen)
6. While she ..... her hair, the baby ..... TV. (wash/watch)
7. While she ..... tennis, it ..... to rain. (play/start)
8. She ..... dinner, ..... the dishes and ..... the Net.(have/wash/surf)
9. The children ..... to school at 8 a.m. yesterday. (walk)

## Exercise 2:

- He ..... (wait) for half an hour before they ..... (arrive).
- She ..... (talk) to John on the phone when I ..... (walk) in.
- I ..... (meet) them in the street while I ..... (shop).
- The postman ..... (arrive) while I ..... (leave) the house.
- We ..... (walk) down by the river when it ..... (start) to rain.
- The storm ..... (start) while we ..... (drive) back from London.
- He ..... (break) his foot while he ..... (play) football on Saturday.
- What .....(you/do) at 8 p.m. yesterday?
- My parents .....(go) to several concerts while they ..... (stay) in Paris.
- How many people ..... (sit) in the waiting room when you ..... (arrive)?