

### 3 Put the verbs in brackets in the correct past simple or past continuous form.

We <sup>1</sup>\_\_\_\_\_ (watch) a DVD when someone <sup>2</sup>\_\_\_\_\_ (ring) the door bell. My brother Tom <sup>3</sup>\_\_\_\_\_ (open) the door and there was a young man. The young man <sup>4</sup>\_\_\_\_\_ (hold) a big box in his hands and he <sup>5</sup>\_\_\_\_\_ (wear) a T-shirt with the words 'Happy Birthday' on it. When he <sup>6</sup>\_\_\_\_\_ (see) my brother, he said, 'Happy Birthday.' My brother <sup>7</sup>\_\_\_\_\_ (tell) him it wasn't his birthday and <sup>8</sup>\_\_\_\_\_ (ask) the young man about the box. While they <sup>9</sup>\_\_\_\_\_ (talk) the man's mobile phone rang. The young man <sup>10</sup>\_\_\_\_\_ (finish) his telephone conversation and said it was a mistake. The box was for our next-door neighbour!

### 1 Choose the correct tense: past simple or past continuous.

Last winter, I <sup>1</sup>had / was having a nasty accident while I <sup>2</sup>skied / was skiing. I was with my friend Joe. It was a beautiful morning. The sun <sup>3</sup>shone / was shining and lots of people <sup>4</sup>skied / were skiing. Suddenly, Joe <sup>5</sup>lost / was losing control as he was going round a corner and <sup>6</sup>crashed / was crashing into me. I <sup>7</sup>fell / was falling and broke my leg. An air ambulance <sup>8</sup>arrived / was arriving and <sup>9</sup>took / was taking me to hospital. I was in hospital for two weeks!

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

Last year my dad and I <sup>1</sup>visited \_\_\_\_\_ (visit) the USA.

While we <sup>2</sup>\_\_\_\_\_ (stay) in Los Angeles, we  
<sup>3</sup>\_\_\_\_\_ (go) to a basketball game between the

Los Angeles Lakers and the Chicago Bulls. The atmosphere inside the stadium <sup>4</sup>\_\_\_\_\_ (be) really exciting. Thousands of spectators

<sup>5</sup>\_\_\_\_\_ (cheer). The Los Angeles Lakers

<sup>6</sup>\_\_\_\_\_ (score) 30 points in the last 10 minutes, but they <sup>7</sup>\_\_\_\_\_ (not win). After the game, one of the players <sup>8</sup>\_\_\_\_\_ (throw) the ball into the crowd and a man in front of us

<sup>9</sup>\_\_\_\_\_ (catch) it. While we <sup>10</sup>\_\_\_\_\_

(leave) the stadium, the man <sup>11</sup>\_\_\_\_\_ (give) us the ball and <sup>12</sup>\_\_\_\_\_ (say): 'Here's a souvenir!'

## CHALLENGE!

Complete the sentences. Use *did*, *didn't*, *was*, *wasn't*, *were* or *weren't*.

- 1 'Were you playing volleyball when he arrived?' 'No, we \_\_\_\_\_.'
- 2 '\_\_\_\_\_ she win the race?' 'Yes, she \_\_\_\_\_.'
- 3 \_\_\_\_\_ you watch the match while you \_\_\_\_\_ having dinner?' 'No, we \_\_\_\_\_.'
- 4 What \_\_\_\_\_ you do when you got home?
- 5 '\_\_\_\_\_ he ring while she \_\_\_\_\_ doing her homework?' 'Yes, he \_\_\_\_\_.'
- 6 'How many goals \_\_\_\_\_ he score?' 'He \_\_\_\_\_ score any goals. He \_\_\_\_\_ playing!'

4 Put the verbs in brackets in the correct past simple or past continuous form.

Last month I <sup>1</sup> \_\_\_\_\_ (go) skiing for the first time. The weather <sup>2</sup> \_\_\_\_\_ (be) good all week. By the end of the week I <sup>3</sup> \_\_\_\_\_ (ski) very well. On the last day the sun <sup>4</sup> \_\_\_\_\_ (shine) and we <sup>5</sup> \_\_\_\_\_ (have) a race. My two best friends <sup>6</sup> \_\_\_\_\_ (lead) but I <sup>7</sup> \_\_\_\_\_ (pass) them. I <sup>8</sup> \_\_\_\_\_ (cheer) when I suddenly <sup>9</sup> \_\_\_\_\_ (lose) control of my skis and I <sup>10</sup> \_\_\_\_\_ (hit) a tree! I soon stopped cheering after that!

3 Look at the pictures and write the story. Use the prompts to help you.



Last month Joe and Simon / go / the motorbike Grand Prix.  
The sun / shine / and the crowd / be / happy. Joe and Simon  
/ stand / near the finish line.

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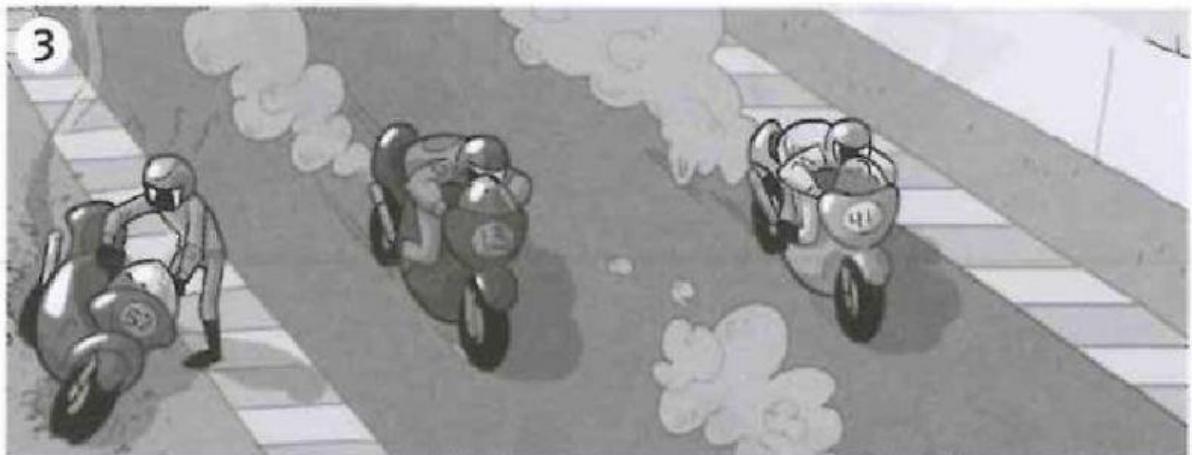


The race / be / really exciting. Two riders / race / very close.  
On the last corner / Colin Edwards / lead. Suddenly, / Nicky  
Hayden / pass / Edwards. Edwards / be / surprised. He /  
lose / control of his motorbike.

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Edwards / crash / 500m before the finish line. While he / check / his motorbike, eleven other riders / finish / the race. Hayden / win / the Grand Prix, but the crowd / cheer / when Edwards / cross / the finish line!

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