

2B GRAMMAR past continuous

- a Look at the pictures and complete the sentences with the past simple and past continuous form of the verbs in brackets.



- 1 I was sleeping when you sent me the message. (sleep, send)
- 2 Susan _____ around Italy when she _____ her boyfriend. (travel, meet)
- 3 We _____ some old photos when we _____ the house. (find, clean)
- 4 They _____ for the bus when they _____ the accident. (wait, see)
- 5 It _____ to rain when they _____ to school. (start, cycle)
- 6 A dog _____ into the road when I _____ home. (run, drive)

- b Complete the story with the past simple or past continuous form of the verbs in brackets.



Last summer, I ¹ was living (live) in Hawaii. One Saturday morning, I ² _____ (wake up) early, and it ³ _____ (be) a beautiful day. The sun ⁴ _____ (shine), and I ⁵ _____ (feel) really happy. I ⁶ _____ (not need) to go to work that day, so I ⁷ _____ (decide) to go surfing. Most of my friends ⁸ _____ (work) and my girlfriend ⁹ _____ (visit) her parents, so I ¹⁰ _____ (go) to the beach alone. When I ¹¹ _____ (arrive), the beach ¹² _____ (be) already crowded. A lot of people ¹³ _____ (sunbathe), children

¹⁴ _____ (play) games and people ¹⁵ _____ (swim) in the sea. Everyone ¹⁶ _____ (enjoy) the lovely summer day. I ¹⁷ _____ (put) my things down on the beach, and then I ¹⁸ _____ (begin) walking to the sea with my surfboard. Suddenly, a man ¹⁹ _____ (shout), 'Shark! Shark! Get out of the water!' At first, I ²⁰ _____ (not can) see anything, but then I ²¹ _____ (see) a big shark. Luckily, it ²² _____ (not attack) anyone and ²³ _____ (swim) away quickly. I ²⁴ _____ (not stay) at the beach after that, and I ²⁵ _____ (go) home without going surfing!

ACTIVATION

Test your memory. Cover the sentences in a and look at the pictures. Try to remember the sentences.