

Circle the correct words.

- 1 While Pops wrote / was writing in his diary, he heard the front door open.
- 2 Pops went / was going downstairs when Eva shouted: 'Hello, Grandad! It's us!'
- 3 Mac and Eva were standing in the kitchen when Pops came / was coming in.
- 4 While Mac made / was making some sandwiches, Eva fed the dog.
- 5 Mac and Eva had / were having their tea when their mum came home from work.
- 6 While mum was talking to Pops, Eva gave / was giving her a sandwich and a cup of tea.

## George Blake and the Birds of Paradise

A hundred and fifty years ago, two explorers, George Blake and Stanley Wilson, <sup>1</sup>were travelling (travel) through a forest. The sun <sup>2</sup>\_\_\_\_\_ (shine) and it was very hot.



Complete the text with the Past Simple or Past Continuous forms of the verbs in brackets.

After some time they <sup>3</sup>\_\_\_\_\_ (stop) because they were tired. They <sup>4</sup>\_\_\_\_\_ (sleep) when George <sup>5</sup>\_\_\_\_\_ (hear) a strange sound. It was a beautiful bird, a bird of paradise! It <sup>6</sup>\_\_\_\_\_ (sing) and another bird <sup>7</sup>\_\_\_\_\_ (watch) it. George <sup>8</sup>\_\_\_\_\_ (draw) the birds when Stanley <sup>9</sup>\_\_\_\_\_ (wake up). 'What's that noise?' he shouted. The birds were scared and flew away. George wasn't happy!

Read the dialogues and choose the correct answer.

1 A: I had a basketball match yesterday, but I did something silly: I left my trainers at home.  
B: \_\_\_\_\_

2 A: My sister is going to be on a quiz show on TV!  
B: \_\_\_\_\_

3 A: Yesterday, dad was cooking lunch. Then he started talking to mum and he forgot about the food in the oven.  
B: \_\_\_\_\_

4 A: Guess what happened this morning!  
B: \_\_\_\_\_

5 A: I won first prize in the painting competition.  
B: \_\_\_\_\_