Ex.1. Put the verbs in the brackets in Past Simple or Past Continuous.

1 Chris (eat) ***ate*** spaghetti every day last week.
2 When I (come) …… into the room, two boys (play) …… computer games.
3 Miranda…… (plant) trees in the garden all afternoon yesterday.
4 While we (jog) …… in the park, Mary (fall over) …… .
5 While I (listen) …… to music, I (hear) …… the doorbell.
6 I (break) …… my pencil while I (do) …… my homework.

Ex.2. Read the paragraph. Choose the most suitable word for each space.

Last week my friend Sandy and I (1) ***A*** to go to the beach on the bus. While we (2) ..... for the bus, it suddenly (3) ..... to rain.
We (4) ..... summer clothes, and we (5) ..... an umbrella. While we (6) ..... there in the rain, Sandy's mother (7) ..... past, so we (8) ..... to her. Luckily, she (9) ..... us, and (10) ..... us home in the car.

1 A decided	B was deciding	C were deciding
2 A were waiting	B waiting	C was waiting
3 A start	B was starting	C started
4 A was wearing	B wore	C were wearing
5 A weren't having	B had	C didn't have
6 A stood	B were standing	C standed
7 A drived	B driving	C drove
8 A were waving	B waved	C was waving
9 A noticing	B noticed	C didn't notice
10 A took	B take	C taked

Ex.3. Complete the text with the past simple or past continuous form of the verbs in brackets.

It was past midnight when Emily _____ (arrive) home. She _____ (close) the door quietly because her siblings _____ (sleep) upstairs. As she _____ (take off) her coat, she _____ (see) a letter on the floor with her name on it. She _____ (open) the letter and _____ (read) it. Then she _____ (put) it in her pocket, _____ (pick up) her coat and _____ (go) out again. It _____ (be) a bitterly cold night but it _____ (not snow). A few people _____ (walk) towards the High Street, so Emily _____ (cross) the road and _____ (follow) them. She _____ (not know) where they _____ (go) – but she _____ (not want) to be alone.

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