

Past simple X past continuous

Choose the correct option:

- 1 When it _____ (stop) raining, we
_____ (go out) and _____ (put) the
kayak in the water.
- 2 While I _____ (wait) at the bus stop,
I _____ (see) an accident.
- 3 Suddenly, the man _____ (take) the purse from the
woman's handbag and _____ (run off).
- 4 At 5 p.m. yesterday, I _____ (read) a book about Captain
Cook and my sister _____ (watch) a film about the
explorer Robert Falcon Scott.
- 5 I _____ (relax) in the sun when a cloud
_____ (appear) in the sky.
- 6 When the sailor _____ (open) the box, he
_____ (find) an old map inside.
- 7 While the people _____ (argue),
I _____ (realise) it was a good time to go.
- 8 The man _____ (wear) a raincoat and
_____ (carry) a big suitcase.
- 9 The girl _____ (run) through the forest when
she _____ (slip) over.
When we _____ (arrive) at the café,
Ben _____ (wait) for us outside.
- 10 The students _____ (chat) when the teacher
_____ (come) in.

Complete the sentences with correct form of the verbs in brackets:

- 11 I _____ (read) a book when the telephone
_____ (ring).
- 12 The lights _____ (go) out while Jane
_____ (watch) a film.
- 13 He _____ (eat) the pizza when
he _____ (find) a hair on it.
- 14 He _____ (do) his homework in the library at 4 o'clock.
- 15 They _____ (not see) the thief because
they _____ (look) in the shop window.
- 16 Could you repeat that, please? Sorry, I _____ (not listen).
- 17 How fast _____ you _____ (drive) when the police
_____ (stop) you?
- 18 _____ Mary _____ (break) her leg while she
_____ (skate)?
- 19 When I _____ (find) a wallet in the street I
_____ (go) to the police and
_____ (turn) it in.