

PAST SIMPLE & PAST CONTINUOUS

Complete the sentences with the PAST SIMPLE or the PAST CONTINUOUS of the verbs in brackets.

1. We _____ (see) the thief when he was running away.
2. Jessica had an accident while she _____ (have) a driving lesson.
3. The driver _____ (kill) the dog because he was absent-minded.
4. The children _____ (play) in the garden when their father arrived home.
5. Paul read an interesting article while he _____ (wait) for the bus.
6. While Tom was chopping the vegetables, he _____ (cut) his finger.
7. Last night I _____ (read) in bed when I heard a strange noise.
8. Ben _____ (take) a photo of me while I wasn't looking.
9. My daughter broke a plate last night while she _____ (wash) the dishes.
10. Sharon was sleeping when the alarm clock _____ (ring).
11. My siblings and I _____ (watch) TV when our mother called us for dinner.
12. I was feeding the cat when someone _____ (knock) at the door.
13. When I saw your grandmother yesterday, she _____ (cross) the street.
14. We _____ (meet) your brother last weekend while we were doing the shopping.
15. While James _____ (close) the door, he realized that he had no keys.
16. It was raining cats and dogs when I _____ (leave) home yesterday morning.
17. Ian _____ (ride) his motorbike when he had the accident.
18. I _____ (sweep) the floor while my sister was dusting the furniture.
19. It was a beautiful morning, the sun _____ (shine) and the birds were singing.
20. While my grandfather _____ (take) a nap, my grandmother was knitting a scarf.