

Ejercicios

Past Simple / Past Continuous

A Circle the correct answer.

- 1 The sun when I looked out of the window.
a was shining b shone
- 2 What when you saw him at the dance?
a did he wear b was he wearing
- 3 They spaghetti for dinner last night.
a made b were making
- 4 They for their friends an hour ago.
a were waiting b waited
- 5 We the house twice last week.
a cleaned b was cleaning
- 6 While Sam his homework, I was playing the guitar.
a is doing b was doing

B Complete the sentences with the correct form of the verb in brackets. Use the Past Simple or Past Continuous.

- 1 I *saw* (see) Helen yesterday afternoon.
- 2 The girls (play) basketball at 3.00 pm.
- 3 We (leave) the party at midnight.
- 4 Jane (not do) her homework yesterday.
- 5 The rain (stop) five minutes ago.
- 6 you (swim) in the sea at 6.00 am?
- 7 We (arrive) at the bus stop too late.
- 8 How you (break) the window?

C Fill in the blanks with the Past Simple or Past Continuous form of the verb in brackets.

- 1 While I *was swimming*. (swim) in the river, I *saw* (see) some frogs.
- 2 Jim (not pay) attention when he (drive) his car into a tree.
- 3 What you (do) while she (sleep)?
- 4 Everyone (sleep) when the robbers (break in).
- 5 your friend (stand) outside when you (come) home?
- 6 It (start) raining while we (play) tennis.
- 7 We (arrive) at the station just as the train (leave).
- 8 I'm sorry. I (not listen) while you (talk).

D Complete the sentences with *while* or *when*.

- 1 We were playing basketball *when* it began to rain.
- 2 I was doing my homework, the telephone rang.
- 3 my father came home last night, we were making dinner.
- 4 The dog was barking we were sleeping.



Respuestas

Past Simple / Past Continuous – Answers

A 1 a 2 b 3 a 4 a 5 a 6 b

B 1 saw 5 stopped
2 were playing 6 Were ... swimming
3 left 7 arrived
4 didn't do 8 did ... break

C 1 was swimming, saw
2 wasn't paying, drove
3 were ... doing, was sleeping
4 was sleeping, broke in
5 Was ... standing, came
6 started, were playing
7 arrived, was leaving
8 wasn't listening, were talking

D 1 when 2 While 3 When 4 while