

### Exercise 1

Complete the following sentences in the past continuous tense.

1. While the music \_\_\_\_\_ (play), the baby \_\_\_\_\_ (cry).
2. While I \_\_\_\_\_ (eat), George \_\_\_\_\_ (stare) at me angrily.
3. When I \_\_\_\_\_ (sing) in the competition, I forgot the words.
4. While you \_\_\_\_\_ (work), I \_\_\_\_\_ (catch) this fish.
5. While she \_\_\_\_\_ (dance), somebody stole her bag.
6. While we \_\_\_\_\_ (pray) in church, you \_\_\_\_\_ (have) fun in the park.
7. While Jacob \_\_\_\_\_ (feel) wonderful, Paul \_\_\_\_\_ (cry).
8. Emily \_\_\_\_\_ (not have) a bath when Jack rang the doorbell.
9. I \_\_\_\_\_ (put) on my tennis clothes when it started to rain.
10. We \_\_\_\_\_ (look) for the dog when somebody found him in their garage.

### Exercise 2

Complete the following sentences in the past continuous tense.

1. I \_\_\_\_\_ (cook) all evening.
2. She \_\_\_\_\_ (not drive) all night.
3. We \_\_\_\_\_ (laugh) all the way there.
4. They \_\_\_\_\_ (dance) like nobody was watching.
5. You \_\_\_\_\_ (not behave) properly all lesson.
6. The dog \_\_\_\_\_ (bark) all day.
7. Henry \_\_\_\_\_ (faint) twice a day all week.
8. We \_\_\_\_\_ (search) for you all morning!

### Exercise 3

Some of the following sentences contain a mistake. If the sentence is correct, put a tick in the box. If the sentence is incorrect, underline the mistake and write the correct words in the box.

1. My dad were helping me with my homework.	
2. We were staying in a beautiful hotel.	
3. She did not asking for help while she was struggling.	
4. They were make dinner when the rain started.	
5. Tom was not living here in 2008.	
6. I was knowing what to say.	
7. You wasn't trying very hard.	
8. At 6pm yesterday, they weren't talking to each other.	
9. I was having dinner when the phone rang.	
10. It did not snowing at 9am this morning.	

### Exercise 4

Negate the following sentences.

1. At 6pm this evening, I was watching television.

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2. She was riding her bike yesterday.

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3. My mum was showing me what to do.

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4. We were walking very quickly.

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5. The children were standing still.

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6. Andy was waiting for his friends.

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7. We were painting our neighbour's fence.

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8. I was designing a new recipe for tomato soup.

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9. You were working very hard.

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10. The birds were singing yesterday.

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### Exercise 5

Complete the following sentences with the words in brackets in either the simple past or the past continuous tense.

1. I \_\_\_\_\_ (stay) with my grandmother all summer.

2. We \_\_\_\_\_ (clean) the house when the guests arrived.

3. Last month, I \_\_\_\_\_ (go) on holiday to Thailand.

4. The sun \_\_\_\_\_ (shine) while we were walking around the park.

5. When she was a child, she \_\_\_\_\_ (work) very hard at school.

6. The dog \_\_\_\_\_ (run) around the garden, then fell asleep in the sun.

7. At 7am this morning, it was quiet because the children \_\_\_\_\_ (sleep).

8. The First World War \_\_\_\_\_ (begin) in 1914.

9. I \_\_\_\_\_ (study) Japanese when I was at primary school.

10. She \_\_\_\_\_ (try) to do the puzzle herself when you told her the answer.

