

Name _____

Class _____

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1 Choose the correct option.

- 0 She was / *were* playing the piano earlier.
- 1 We *was* / *were* trying to be on time.
- 2 They *was* / *were* watching the TV.
- 3 He *wasn't* / *weren't* sleeping during the movie.
- 4 *Was* / *Were* you listening to me?
- 5 Where *was* / *were* you going in such a hurry?

2 Complete the sentences with verbs in the past continuous.

- 0 I was studying (study) at the library.
- 1 He _____ (play) video games.
- 2 They _____ (clean) the house all morning.
- 3 It _____ (not snow) when I woke up.
- 4 We _____ (have) lunch at my grandparents' house.
- 5 I _____ (work) on my car all night.
- 6 You _____ (not pay) attention to me.
- 7 She _____ (not wear) jeans yesterday.

3 Complete the sentences with the simple past or past continuous.

- 0 I was having (have) a snack when a ball hit (hit) me in the head.
- 1 They _____ (take) photos of birds when they _____ (see) a bear.
- 2 While he _____ (tie) his shoe, some money _____ (fall) out of his pocket.
- 3 I _____ (dream) about winning the lottery while I _____ (sleep).
- 4 Jared _____ (laugh) when he _____ (start) to choke.
- 5 While Jeff and David _____ (surf), a shark _____ (swim) past them.

4 Write questions in the past continuous.

- 0 What was she eating? (she / eat)
- 1 What _____? (he / do)
- 2 Where _____? (they / stay)
- 3 Who _____? (she / talk to)
- 4 What _____? (she / make)
- 5 How long _____? (you / wait)

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

- 0 The team was practicing when it started to rain.
- 1 Dad came home _____ I was reading the newspaper.
- 2 _____ I was waiting for the bus, I saw a Ferrari drive by.
- 3 We all screamed _____ the bulls ran past.
- 4 Nobody was looking _____ the teacher entered the room.
- 5 My dog jumped out of the bathtub _____ I was trying to wash him.

6 Match the questions and answers.

- 0 Where were you going?
- 1 Who was talking to you last night?
- 2 When did you get that?
- 3 When did you last see her?
- 4 Why weren't you at home earlier?
- 5 Were they doing anything strange?

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- a No, they weren't.
- b ~~I was going to the mall.~~
- c I think her name was Diane.
- d I got it while I was visiting Rome.
- e I was studying at the library.
- f I saw her while I was riding my bike to school.

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Answer Key

1

- 1 were
- 2 were
- 3 wasn't
- 4 Were
- 5 were

2

- 1 was playing
- 2 were cleaning
- 3 was not snowing
- 4 were having
- 5 was working
- 6 weren't paying
- 7 wasn't wearing

3

- 1 were taking, saw
- 2 was tying, fell
- 3 dreamed, was sleeping
- 4 was laughing, started
- 5 were surfing, swam

4

- 1 was he doing
- 2 were they staying
- 3 was she talking to
- 4 was she making
- 5 were you waiting

5

- 1 while
- 2 While
- 3 when
- 4 when
- 5 while

6

- 1 c
- 2 d
- 3 f
- 4 e
- 5 a