

Past Continuous or Simple Past?

Conjugate the verb in (brackets) in the correct tense.

1. He _____ (PLAY) football when it _____ (START) to rain.
2. I _____ (SWIM) in the sea when I _____ (SEE) a shark.
3. Sue _____ (WALK) along the road when she _____ (MEET) Jim.
4. We _____ (WATCH) television when the phone _____ (RING).
5. When I _____ (ARRIVE) at the office, Jane and Paul _____
(WORK) at their desks.
6. Tom _____ (LOOK) out of the window when the accident _____
(HAPPEN).
7. When I _____ (SEE) Kate this morning she _____ (WAIT)
for the bus.
8. I _____ (STAND) at the bus stop when I _____ (MEET) Dave.
9. I _____ (BREAK) a tooth when I _____ (EAT) a sandwich.
10. When I _____ (OPEN) the door, she _____ (STAND) there.

CORRECTIONS Past Continuous or Simple Past?

Conjugate the verb in (brackets) in the correct tense.

1. He **was playing** (PLAY) football when it **started** (START) to rain.
2. I **was swimming** (SWIM) in the sea when I **saw** (SEE) a shark.
3. Sue **was walking** (WALK) along the road when she **met** (MEET) Jim.
4. We **were watching** (WATCH) television when the phone **rang** (RING).
5. When I **arrived** (ARRIVE) at the office, Jane and Paul **were working** (WORK) at their desks.
6. Tom **was looking** (LOOK) out of the window when the accident **happened** (HAPPEN).
7. When I **saw** (SEE) Kate this morning she **was waiting** (WAIT) for the bus.
8. I **was standing** (STAND) at the bus stop when I **met** (MEET) Dave.
9. I **broke** (BREAK) a tooth when I **was eating** (EAT) a sandwich.
10. When I **opened** (OPEN) the door, she **was standing** (STAND) there.