

## REINFORCEMENT

**1 Put the words in the correct order to make sentences.**

1. **A:** you / What / at the beach / doing / were  
\_\_\_\_\_?

**B:** watching / were / the sunset / We  
\_\_\_\_\_?

2. **A:** your brother / was / yesterday afternoon / What / doing  
\_\_\_\_\_?

**B:** playing / was / soccer / He  
\_\_\_\_\_?

3. **A:** last night / still / Were / watching TV / you / at midnight  
\_\_\_\_\_?

**B:** watching / Yes, / were / we / a great horror movie  
\_\_\_\_\_?

4. **A:** was / Why / shouting at you / your father  
\_\_\_\_\_?

**B:** were / we / Because / bad / being  
\_\_\_\_\_?

**2 Make the sentences negative (a), and then make questions from the sentences (b).**

1. The children were having fun.  
**a.** \_\_\_\_\_  
**b.** \_\_\_\_\_?

2. The dog was chasing the cat.  
**a.** \_\_\_\_\_  
**b.** \_\_\_\_\_?

3. My mother was washing her hair.  
**a.** \_\_\_\_\_  
**b.** \_\_\_\_\_?

4. We were listening to music.  
**a.** \_\_\_\_\_  
**b.** \_\_\_\_\_?

5. I was eating ice cream.  
**a.** \_\_\_\_\_  
**b.** \_\_\_\_\_?

6. She was painting a picture.  
**a.** \_\_\_\_\_  
**b.** \_\_\_\_\_?

**3 Match the two halves of the sentences.**

1. I was feeding the dog \_\_\_\_\_

2. You were playing basketball \_\_\_\_\_

3. She was running to catch the bus \_\_\_\_\_

4. We were sitting on the beach \_\_\_\_\_

5. While the children were playing in the yard \_\_\_\_\_

6. My boyfriend's Spanish. I met him \_\_\_\_\_

**a.** while I was staying with some friends in Madrid.

**b.** when the tsunami arrived.

**c.** their mother made dinner.

**d.** when you broke your leg.

**e.** when it bit me.

**f.** when she fell over.

**4 Choose the correct option.**

1. When the bus broke down Megan knew she *was / wasn't* going to be late to school.

2. Your mother *was / wasn't* riding the bike when she ran into the tree.

3. I *was / wasn't* reading my notes before the exam because the I left them at home.

4. We *were / weren't* flying from Barcelona to Paris when the plane crashed.

5. Because Megan *was / wasn't* talking during class, the teacher took her cell phone.

## CONSOLIDATION

## 1 Complete the dialogue with the verbs in the past tense.

**MELISSA:** Hello, Sally, I <sup>1</sup> \_\_\_\_\_  
(not / see) you in school last week.

**SALLY:** Hello, Melissa. No, I <sup>2</sup> \_\_\_\_\_  
(not / go). I <sup>3</sup> \_\_\_\_\_ (not /  
feel) very well so I <sup>4</sup> \_\_\_\_\_  
(go) to the doctor's.

**MELISSA:** What was the matter?

**SALLY:** I <sup>5</sup> \_\_\_\_\_ (think) I had a  
cold, but while the doctor  
<sup>6</sup> \_\_\_\_\_ (examine) me  
she <sup>7</sup> \_\_\_\_\_ (take) my  
temperature and it was over 40°. So, I  
<sup>8</sup> \_\_\_\_\_ (spend) the week in  
hospital.

**MELISSA:** So <sup>9</sup> \_\_\_\_\_ you  
\_\_\_\_\_ (go) to Fay's party on  
Saturday?

**SALLY:** No, I didn't. I was disappointed I  
<sup>10</sup> \_\_\_\_\_ (not / can) go.

**MELISSA:** I couldn't go either. I had to look after  
my little sister. But something terrible  
<sup>11</sup> \_\_\_\_\_ (happen) while she  
<sup>12</sup> \_\_\_\_\_ (take) a shower.

**SALLY:** What?

**MELISSA:** She <sup>13</sup> \_\_\_\_\_ (fall) and  
<sup>14</sup> \_\_\_\_\_ (break) her arm!

**SALLY:** Oh no! What <sup>15</sup> \_\_\_\_\_ you  
\_\_\_\_\_ (do)?

**MELISSA:** I <sup>16</sup> \_\_\_\_\_ (phone) my  
parents and then we all went to  
the hospital.

**SALLY:** What a great week we both had!

## 2 Complete the sentences with the verbs in the simple past or past continuous.

- I \_\_\_\_\_ (feed) the dog when it  
\_\_\_\_\_ (bite) me.
- You \_\_\_\_\_ (play) basketball when  
you \_\_\_\_\_ (break) your leg.
- She \_\_\_\_\_ (run) to catch the bus  
when she \_\_\_\_\_ (fall) over.
- We \_\_\_\_\_ (sit) on the beach when  
the tsunami \_\_\_\_\_ (arrive).
- While the children \_\_\_\_\_ (play)  
in the yard, their mother \_\_\_\_\_  
(make) dinner.
- My boyfriend's Spanish. I \_\_\_\_\_  
(meet) him while I \_\_\_\_\_ (stay)  
with some friends in Madrid.

## EXTENSION

**1 Write sentences in the past continuous using the cues.**

**1. A:** What / you / do / at the beach  
\_\_\_\_\_?

**B:** watch / the sunset  
\_\_\_\_\_

**2. A:** your brother / do / yesterday afternoon  
\_\_\_\_\_?

**B:** play / soccer  
\_\_\_\_\_

**3. A:** you / watch TV / last night / at midnight  
\_\_\_\_\_?

**B:** Yes / watch / a great horror movie  
\_\_\_\_\_

**4. A:** Why / your father / shout at you  
\_\_\_\_\_?

**B:** Because / we / be / bad  
\_\_\_\_\_

**2 Correct the mistakes in these sentences.**

**1.** The children wasn't having fun.  
\_\_\_\_\_

**2.** The dogs was chasing the cat.  
\_\_\_\_\_

**3.** My mother wasn't wash her hair.  
\_\_\_\_\_

**4.** Was we listen to music?  
\_\_\_\_\_

**5.** Were I eating ice cream?  
\_\_\_\_\_

**6.** She were painting a picture.  
\_\_\_\_\_

**3 Complete the sentences with your own ideas.**

**1.** I was feeding the dog when  
\_\_\_\_\_

**2.** While you were playing basketball,  
\_\_\_\_\_

**3.** She was running to catch the bus when  
\_\_\_\_\_

**4.** While we were sitting on the beach,  
\_\_\_\_\_

**5.** While the children were playing in the yard,  
\_\_\_\_\_

**6.** My boyfriend's Spanish. I met him when  
\_\_\_\_\_

**4 Circle the mistakes in the sentences and write the corrected sentence on the space provided.**

**1.** Cathy was go to school yesterday when she got sick.  
\_\_\_\_\_

**2.** Your mother was riding the bike when she fall down.  
\_\_\_\_\_

**3.** I learn to read when I was three, so I was reading before I started school.  
\_\_\_\_\_

**4.** The team was fly from Barcelona to Paris when their plane crashed.  
\_\_\_\_\_

**5.** I was sending an SMS when my cell phone break.  
\_\_\_\_\_