**Past Simple and Past Continuous tenses**

**\*\*Exercise 1: Fill in the Blanks\*\***

**Fill in the blanks with the correct form of the verbs in parentheses using either the Past Simple or Past Continuous tense**.

1. While I \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ (walk) to school, I \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ (see) an old friend.

2. She \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ (study) for her exams when the power \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ (go) out.

3. They \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ (have) dinner when we \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ (arrive).

4. The phone \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ (ring) while I \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ (take) a shower.

5. Yesterday, I \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ (meet) my cousin while I \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ (shop).

**\*\*Exercise 2: Multiple Choice\*\***

**Choose the correct tense for each sentence.**

1. He \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ (was reading / read) a book when the doorbell \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ (rang / was ringing).

 a) was reading, rang

 b) read, was ringing

2. We \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ (watched / were watching) a movie when the lights \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ (went / were going) out.

 a) watched, went

 b) were watching, went

3. She \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ (slept / was sleeping) when her phone \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ (rang / was ringing).

 a) slept, rang

 b) was sleeping, rang

4. They \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ (played / were playing) soccer when it \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ (started / was starting) to rain.

 a) played, started

 b) were playing, started

5. I \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ (was cooking / cooked) dinner while they \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ (were doing / did) their homework.

 a) was cooking, were doing

 b) cooked, did

**\*\*Exercise 3: Sentence Rewriting\*\***

**Rewrite the sentences using the Past Simple and Past Continuous tenses.**

1. She prepared breakfast. The children got dressed.

2. I watched TV. The doorbell rang.

3. They played football. It started to rain.

4. He read a book. His friend called him.

5. We walked in the park. We saw an old friend.

\*\***Exercise 4: Correct the Mistakes\*\***

**Find and correct the mistakes in the sentences.**

1. She was cook dinner when the phone rang.

2. While I was read a book, my brother was playing guitar.

3. They were watching TV when the lights was going out.

4. He did his homework when his mom called him for dinner.

5. While we were jogging, it was start to rain.