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## Past Simple vs. Past Continuous

Complete the sentences with the past simple or progressive.

1. When I  to school, I  John. (walk/see)
2. When I  in the kitchen, Mary . (help/come)
3. While she  the soup, the children . (cook/play)
4. While they  cards, the baby . (play/sleep)
5. When I  in the garden, my uncle . (work/call)
6. Carol  TV while Bob and Peter  football. (watch/play)
7. When she  her hair, the baby  to cry. (wash/begin)
8. A strong wind  when the plane . (blow/land)
9. When she  tennis, it  to rain. (play/began)
10. When I  TV, the lights  out. (watch/go)
11. While he  the piano, she  to him. (play/listen)
12. While she  up her room, he  his car. (tidy/wash)
13. The boys  in the garden while she  the flowers.  
(help/water)
14. He  Mary when he  through the park. (meet/walk)
15. We  computer games while she  a book. (play/read)

**Past simple or past progressive - write down the correct form.**

1. They  (play) cards when the postman  (come).



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2. I  (sweep) the floor when I  (hear) a noise.
3. She  (watch) TV when the doorbell  (ring).
4. We  (hear) a cry and  (run) into the kitchen.
5. First Sam  (buy) the newspaper, and then he  (take) the plane to Chicago.
6. Susan and Sally  (play) tennis when it  (begin) to rain.
7. I think she  (wear) her new hat when I  (see) her at the zoo.
8. A lot of children  (wait) at the station when the star  (arrive).
9. They  (have) their supper when they  (hear) about the accident.
10. When the phone  (ring), mum  (work) in the garden.
11. Sally  (take) a photo when I  (dance).
12. They  (read) a book when the lights  (go) out.
13. While George  (repair) his bike, Bill  (play) computer games.
14. We  (talk) about the movie while we  (walk) home.
15. They  (forget) our lunch at home last Friday.