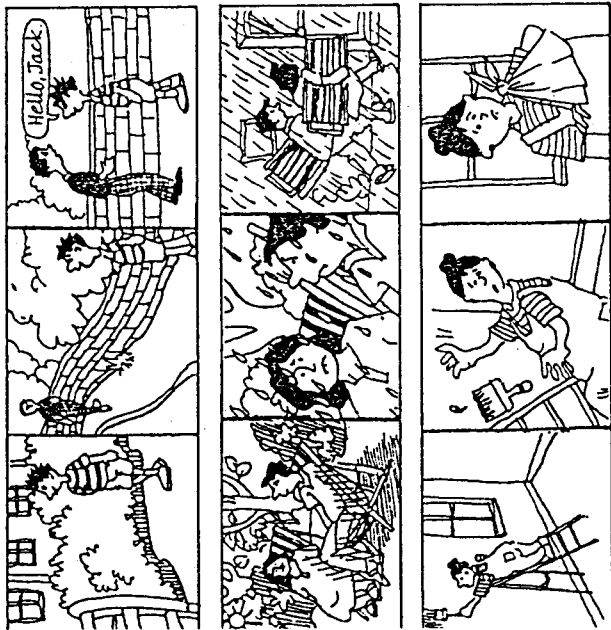


1 Look at the pictures and write sentences. Use the past continuous or past simple.  
 mple (see the pictures opposite): (Jack / read / a book) ..... Jack was reading a book.  
 (the phone / ring) ..... The phone rang.  
 (he / answer / the phone) He answered the phone.

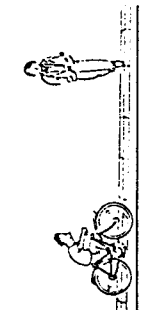


(Tom / walk / down the street)  
 Tom .....  
 (he / see / Jack)  
 (he / say / hello)  
 (they / sit / in the garden)  
 (it / start / to rain)  
 (they / go / into the house)  
 (Carol / paint / the room)  
 (she / fall / off the ladder)  
 (she / break / her arm)

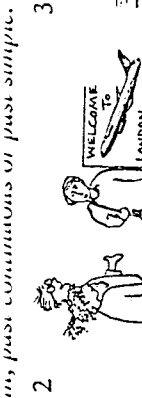
2 Put the verb into the past continuous (I was doing) or past simple (I did).

When we went (go) out, it was raining (rain).  
 I wasn't hungry last night. I didn't eat (not/eat) anything.  
 We are watching (you/watch) television when I phoned (phone) you?  
 Jane wasn't at home when I went to see her. She ..... (work).  
 I ..... (get) up early this morning. I ..... (wash),  
 (dress) and then I ..... (have) breakfast.  
 The postman ..... (come) while I ..... (have) breakfast.  
 We ..... (meet) Joan at the party. She ..... (wear) a  
 red dress.  
 The boys ..... (break) a window when they ..... (play)  
 football.  
 I was late but my friends ..... (wait) for me when I .....  
 (arrive).  
 I ..... (get) up at 7 o'clock. The sun ..... (shine), so I  
 ..... (go) for a walk.  
 He ..... (not/drive) fast when the accident ..... (happen).  
 Margaret ..... (not/go) to work yesterday. She was ill.  
 'What ..... (you/do) on Saturday evening?' 'I went to the cinema.'  
 'What ..... (you/do) at 9.30 on Saturday evening?'  
 'I ..... (watch) a film in the cinema.'

1 saw (see) Sue in town  
 yesterday but she .....  
 She ..... (not/see) me.  
 the other way. .... (look)



I ..... (meet) Tom  
 and Ann at the airport a few  
 weeks ago. They .....  
 (go) to Berlin and I ..... (go) to Madrid.  
 We ..... (have) a  
 chat while we .....  
 (wait) for our flights.



Put the verbs into the correct form, past continuous or past simple.

- Jane was waiting (wait) for me when I arrived (arrive).
- 'What ..... (you/do) this time yesterday?' 'I was asleep.'
- 'Was Carol at the party last night?' 'No, I was too tired.'
- 'Was Carol at the party last night?' 'Yes, she ..... (wear) a really nice dress.'
- How fast ..... (you/drive) when the accident ..... (happen)?
- John ..... (take) a photograph of me while I ..... (not/look).
- We were in a very difficult position. We ..... (not/know) what to do.
- I haven't seen Alan for ages. When I last ..... (see) him, he  
 ..... (try) to find a job in London.
- I ..... (walk) along the street when suddenly I ..... (hear) footsteps behind me. Somebody ..... (follow) me. I was frightened and I ..... (start) to run.
- When I was young, I ..... (want) to be a bus driver.

Use your own ideas to complete these sentences. Use the past continuous.

- Tom burnt his hand while he was cooking the dinner.
- The doorbell rang while I .....
- We saw an accident while we .....
- Mary fell asleep while she .....
- The television was on but nobody .....