

Grammar Check

Unit 5

► Past Continuous

1 Fill in the *past continuous*, as in the example.

- 1 My brother *was studying* (study) in his room all day yesterday.
- 2 He (get) ready to go out when the doorbell rang.
- 3 We saw a bad accident as we (drive) to the airport.
- 4 Sally (dance) when she fell and hurt her leg.
- 5 Why (you/talk) all through your Spanish lesson yesterday?
- 6 Tom (walk) through the woods when he heard a dog barking.
- 7 Karen (cook) dinner when her husband came home.
- 8 (you/watch) TV at 7:00 yesterday evening?
- 9 Helen (surf) the Net while Tom (watch) TV.
- 10 He (paint) the garage door when it started shaking.

2 Use the *past continuous* to say what you were doing...

- 1 at 9 o'clock last night.
- 2 at 10 o'clock yesterday morning.
- 3 two hours ago.
- 4 at 8:00 yesterday evening.
- 5 last Sunday evening.
- 6 this time last year.

3 What happened to the people? Make sentences.

- 1 Helen/walk/park/dog/attack
Helen was walking in the park when a dog attacked her.
- 2 John/make/tea/drop/kettle
- 3 Samantha/look/out/window/see/Tom
- 4 Derek/play/football/hurt/leg
- 5 Arthur/watch/match/electricity/go off
- 6 Mary/have/bath/doorbell/ring

4 Put the verbs in brackets into the *past simple* or the *past continuous*.

- 1 I *was watching* (watch) a film when the telephone (ring).
- 2 Jane (drive) to school when she (get) a flat tyre.
- 3 Sue (bake) a cake while the children (play) football.
- 4 Rachel (break) a glass while she (wash) the dishes.
- 5 William (help) his brother with his homework while his mum (dust) the furniture.

► Reflexive pronouns

5 Complete the dialogues using the correct *reflexive pronoun*.

- 1 A: Do you need any help?
B: No, thanks. I can do it by *myself*.
- 2 A: Did you paint Alex's room?
B: No, he painted it by *himself*.
- 3 A: The kids are having fun.
B: Yes, I think they are enjoying *themselves*.
- 4 A: Who painted your house for you?
B: No one. We painted it *ourselves*.
- 5 A: Did Mum iron this shirt for you?
B: No, I did it *myself*.

6 Use the verbs in the list and the correct reflexive pronouns to complete the sentences.

- behave • enjoy • poured • teach • hurt
- switch • serve

- 1 James *hurt himself* when he fell off the ladder.
- 2 The students in my class always *behave*.
- 3 We *serve ourselves* breakfast at the hostel this morning.
- 4 Karen *teaches herself* to play the piano.
- 5 I *enjoy myself* at the party last night.
- 6 The iron will *switch itself* off if it's not used for 15 minutes.
- 7 They were very thirsty after the game, so they *poured themselves* a cold drink.