

### 1 Circle the past simple verbs and underline the past continuous verbs in the sentences.

- The shoplifter was trying to steal some perfume when the store detective caught her.
- Our friends were enjoying themselves at the party when we arrived.
- I saw a well-dressed elderly man vandalising a building when I was walking to school yesterday.
- While we were swimming in France on our holidays, the pool manager gave my dad a fine for wearing loose-fitting shorts!
- Did you see anyone suspicious when you were waiting for the bus yesterday?

### 2 Decide if the verbs in brackets should be in the past simple (PS) or the past continuous (PC).

- Mum was making dinner when I (ask) her if I could go and meet my friends. PS
- We (play) tennis when it started to rain. ....
- The thieves (rob) the bank when the police arrived at the crime scene. ....
- A bald, middle-aged burglar (fall) out of a window while he was burgling a house. ....
- The pickpocket who stole my grandpa's wallet (wear) a cap and a dark coat. ....
- While I was waiting for the show to begin, I (make) myself a drink. ....

### 3 Circle the verbs that are wrong in each sentence.

- I **was walking** along the road when I **was finding** £10.
- While he **was deciding** which T-shirt to buy, a shoplifter **was appearing** next to him and put a T-shirt right into her bag!
- We **shook** with fear when the thieves **came** out of the bank. We were so afraid!
- My grandma went to the police station because it **was holding** an identity parade to find the pickpocket who **was stealing** her bag.
- While he **was watching** TV, the police **were ringing** to say they had caught the vandal who damaged his car.

### 4 Write the past simple and past continuous forms of the verbs in brackets.

- Were you going to school when the police stopped the suspicious-looking car? (go, stop)
- Mum ..... the dog in the park when she ..... the police chasing two men. (walk, see)
- ..... Jamie ..... his expensive watch when the pickpocket ..... his wallet? (wear, steal)
- While my parents ..... food at the supermarket, the store detective ..... a shoplifter and called the police. (buy, catch)
- How many students ..... their homework when the bell .....? (do, ring)

### 5 Correct the mistakes in bold.

- I broke my arm when I **skis**. was skiing
- The thieves **steal** over £100,000 while they were robbing the bank. ....
- While they **were sleep** last night, the vandals covered their front door in graffiti. ....
- Did you **felt** bored while you were watching the film? I didn't enjoy it at all! ....
- Edward saw some criminals get arrested for theft when he **travelling** in Asia. ....
- Mum and dad **make** dinner when we arrived home from school. ....

### 6 Correct the pronoun in each sentence.

- Hannah bought himself a new dress. herself
- They made yourselves a picnic for the school trip. ....
- Luckily, Julian didn't hurt itself when he fell off his bike. ....
- Did you enjoy myself in London, Kate? .....
- I taught herself to speak some Spanish before our holiday to Spain last summer. ....
- We didn't buy themselves concert tickets after all because they were so expensive. ....

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### 2

- 1 *ask = PS*
- 2 *play = PC*
- 3 *rob = PC*
- 4 *fall = PS*
- 5 *wear = PC*
- 6 *make = PS*

### 3

- 1 *was finding*
- 2 *was appearing*
- 3 *shook*
- 4 *was stealing*
- 5 *were ringing*

### 4

- 1 *Were / going, stopped*
- 2 *was walking, saw*
- 3 *Was / wearing, stole*
- 4 *were buying, caught*
- 5 *were doing, rang*

### 5

- 1 *skis; was skiing*
- 2 *steal; stole*
- 3 *were sleep; were sleeping*
- 4 *felt; feel*
- 5 *travelling; was travelling*
- 6 *make; were making*

### 6

- 1 *herself*
- 2 *themselves*
- 3 *himself*
- 4 *yourself*
- 5 *myself*
- 6 *ourselves*