

## English Plus 2 (Part 2)

### Unit 4 Dare!

#### LANGUAGE FOCUS □ Past continuous: questions • Past simple and past continuous I can invent a story about a world trip.

1 Match questions 1-6 with answers a-f.

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|---------------------------|------------------------|
| 1 Were you skiing?        | a In Quito             |
| 2 Was she cycling?        | b They were travelling |
| 3 Were they sailing?      | c No, they weren't.    |
| 4 What were they doing?   | d My dad.              |
| 5 Who was waiting?        | e Yes, I was           |
| 6 Where were you waiting? | f No, she wasn't.      |

#### □ RULE

We form past continuous questions with (question word) +     + subject + *-ing*.

2 Write questions and answers about Emily and Laura's trip using the past continuous.



Was Emily **travelling** with her parents? (travel) **No, she wasn't.**

- 1            Emily and Laura                                    in Greenland. (ski)
- 2            Laura                                    in the Atlantic Ocean? (swim)
- 3 Where            they                                   ? (cycle)
- 4 Where            they                                    to? (sail)
- 5 Who                                               for them in Quito? (wait)

3 Write questions using the past continuous. Then ask and answer the questions with a partner.

- 1 what / you / do / at 6.30 yesterday evening
- 2 you and your family / have / breakfast at 7.30 a.m.
- 3 what / your parents / do / at 8.30 a.m. yesterday
- 4 you / walk / to school at 8 o'clock
- 5 where / you / sit / at 9.30 yesterday morning
- 6 who / sit / next to you / in your English lesson / last week

#### Past simple and past continuous

4 Study the examples. Then complete the rules with *past simple* and *past continuous*.

While they were skiing across Greenland, Laura fell through the ice.  
They were skiing across Greenland when Laura fell through the ice.

## 0 RULES

- 1 We use the \_\_\_ to describe past actions that were in progress.
- 2 We use the \_\_\_ to interrupt the action that was in progress.
- 3 We often use *when* before the \_\_\_ and *while* before the \_\_\_.

5 Complete the sentences. Use the past simple and the past continuous in each sentence.

He **wasn't looking** (not look) when he **fell** (fall) through the ice.

- 1 He \_\_\_\_\_ when he \_\_\_\_\_ (see) the shark.
- 2 They \_\_\_\_\_ (meet) while they \_\_\_\_\_ (walk) near the river.
- 3 Peter \_\_\_\_\_ (have) an accident while he \_\_\_\_\_ (ski).
- 4 I \_\_\_\_\_ (not wear) a cycle helmet when I \_\_\_\_\_ (fall off) my bike.
- 5 They \_\_\_\_\_ (not sleep) when we \_\_\_\_\_ (phone) them.

6 **ACTIVATE** Work in pairs. Imagine you went on a world trip. Talk about what you did using the past simple and past continuous. Use the verbs in the box and your own ideas.

climb cycle meet see speak stay  
swim travel visit walk sail buy

I saw the pyramids while I was travelling  
along the River Nile.

### Finished?

Imagine you are interviewing an explorer about an adventure. Write six interview questions. Use the past simple and past continuous. Then write the explorer's answers.

How did you feel while you were sailing across the Atlantic?

## WORKBOOK (2)

### Past continuous: questions

- 1 ★ Complete the table with the words in the box.

was were what was weren't were was

Questions				Answers
(Question word)	was / were	Subject	-ing form	
	Was	Lara	sleeping?	Yes, she <sup>1</sup> _____ / No, she wasn't.
	<sup>2</sup> _____	Mum and Dad	talking?	Yes, they were. / No, they <sup>3</sup> _____.
<sup>4</sup> _____	was	Harry	reading?	He <sup>5</sup> _____ reading a comic.
Where	were	you	going?	We <sup>6</sup> _____ going to school.

- 2 ★★ Write past continuous questions.

where / Jan / go / last night

Where was Jan going last night? \_\_\_\_\_

1 they / have / lunch / two o'clock

\_\_\_\_\_

2 who / Mia / talk to

\_\_\_\_\_

3 what / we / do / in class last week

\_\_\_\_\_

4 it / rain / yesterday afternoon

\_\_\_\_\_

5 why / you / climb up / that big rock

\_\_\_\_\_

6 Sammi / eat / dinner / 8 p.m.

\_\_\_\_\_

- 3 ★★★ Mike is at a police station. There was a murder last night, and the police think Mike did it. Write three past continuous *yes / no* questions and three question-word questions for the police to ask him. Write answers for Mike.

What were you doing at 10 p.m.? \_\_\_\_\_

I was having dinner with my girlfriend. \_\_\_\_\_

1 \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_

- 2 \_\_\_\_\_
- 3 \_\_\_\_\_
- 4 \_\_\_\_\_
- 5 \_\_\_\_\_
- 6 \_\_\_\_\_

### Past simple and past continuous

- 4 ★★ Complete the sentences using the past simple or past continuous form of the verbs.

I was climbing (climb) up the mountain when I found (find) a camera.

1 They \_\_\_\_\_ (swim) across the river when the boat \_\_\_\_\_ (arrive).

2 Marta \_\_\_\_\_ (have) a bad accident when she \_\_\_\_\_ (ski) down a mountain in the Urals.

3 \_\_\_\_\_ Ian \_\_\_\_\_ (listen) when the teacher \_\_\_\_\_ (ask) him a question?

4 We \_\_\_\_\_ (stop) at the Great Wall when we \_\_\_\_\_ (travel) through China.

5 You \_\_\_\_\_ (not look) at the road when you \_\_\_\_\_ (fall off) your mountain bike.

6 \_\_\_\_\_ you \_\_\_\_\_ (drive) when the storm \_\_\_\_\_ (start)?

- 5 ★★★ Write sentences about a holiday you had, or invent one. Use the past simple and the past continuous.

While we were cycling through New Orleans, \_\_\_\_\_  
we saw the carnival. \_\_\_\_\_

- 1 \_\_\_\_\_
- 2 \_\_\_\_\_
- 3 \_\_\_\_\_
- 4 \_\_\_\_\_
- 5 \_\_\_\_\_
- 6 \_\_\_\_\_

## English Plus 2 Unit 4

### Answers

#### Language focus Past continuous: questions

Exercise 1. 1 e 2 f 3 c 4 b 5 d 6 a

Rules. was / were

Exercise 2. 1 Were, skiing; Yes, they were. 2 Was, swimming; No, he wasn't. 3 were cycling; They were cycling across the United States and into Central America. 4 were, sailing; They were sailing to Ecuador. 5 was waiting; Their families were waiting for them.

Exercise 3.

1 What were you doing at 6.30 yesterday evening?

2 Were you and your family having breakfast at 7:30 a.m.?

3 What were your parents doing at 8.30 a.m. yesterday?

4 Were you walking to school at 8 o'clock?

5 Where were you sitting at 9.30 yesterday morning?

6 Who was sitting next to you in your English lesson last week?

Students own answers.

Rules. 1 past continuous 2 past simple 3 past simple 4 past continuous

Exercise 5. 1 was swimming; saw 2 met, were walking 3 had, was skiing 4 wasn't wearing, fell off 5 weren't sleeping, phoned

#### Workbook (2)

Exercise 1. 1 was 2 Were 3 weren't 4 What 5 was 6 were

Exercise 2.

1 Were they having lunch at two o'clock?

2 Who was Mia talking to?

3 What were we doing in class last week?

4 Was it raining yesterday afternoon?

5 Why were you climbing up that big rock?

6 Was Sammi eating dinner at 8 p.m.?

Exercise 4. 1 were swimming; arrived 2 had; was skiing 3 Was; listening; asked 4 stopped; were travelling 5 weren't looking; fell off

6 Were; driving; started