



Learn English Through Stories

T Series

Test 12

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Past continuous

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3. Weat the back of the theatre. We couldn't hear very well.
4. This time last year Steveon a farm.
5. They didn't see me. Theyin my direction.
6. The weather was bad. It was very cold and it
7. I saw you in your car. Where?
8. I saw Kate a few minutes ago. Shefor you.

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2. We fell asleep	b. she was working in a clothes shop.
3. Amy learnt Italian	c. when I was driving home.
4. Tom didn't come out with us	d. but nobody was watching it.
5. The car began to make a strange noise	e. while we were watching a film.
6. The TV was on	f. my friends were waiting for me.
7. When I first met Jessica	g. because he wasn't feeling well.

3. Put the verb into the correct form, past continuous or past simple.

1. Jenny(wait) for me when I (arrive).
2. 'What(you / do) at this time yesterday?' 'I was asleep.'
3. ' (you / go) out last night?' 'No, I was too tired.'
4. How fast (you / drive) when the accident..... (happen)?
5. Sam(take) a picture of me while I..... (not / look).
6. We were in a very difficult position. We(not / know) what to do, so we(do) nothing.
7. I haven't seen Alan for ages. When I last(see) him, he(try) to find a job.
8. I(walk) along the street when suddenly I (hear) something behind me. Somebody(follow) me. I was scared and I (start) to run.
9. When I was young, I..... (want) to be a pilot. Later I.....(change) my mind.
10. Last night I(drop) a plate when I(do) the washing up. Fortunately it(not / break).

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