

1 Past Simple vs. Past Cont.

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

- 1 Melanie (go) to see the film 'In the Mood for Love' last Thursday.
- 2 I (read) a book when Lena (call) me.
- 3 The man stated that he (play) racquetball by the beach yesterday at 3 o'clock.
- 4 Judy (jog) happily in the park while her boyfriend (drink) coffee.
- 5 Carlos (finish) his work and then (go) to his yoga lesson.

2 'Used to' vs. Past Simple

Use either 'used to' or past simple to complete the sentences.

- 1 I (have) long hair when I was younger.
- 2 Faye (buy) a goldfish for her boyfriend yesterday.
- 3 Jimmy (swim) every day last summer.
- 4 Claire and Carol (have) a lot of fun when they first got together; now they only argue.
- 5 We (go shopping) every day when we were rich.
- 6 Albert Einstein (make) many funny public comments.
- 7 Five years ago I (live) in London, in a small flat.
- 8 When she was young, my dog, Pinky, (play) in the garden all morning.

3 Childhood Dreams

Write down what you used to want to be when you were a child and why.

4 Vincent

Fill in the gaps in the following text about Vincent, using the words in the box below.

happily	home	enjoying
clever	bicycle	carried
	singing	

Vincent was a very (1) young man. He was also happy, (2) wherever he went. One day, on his way (3) after college, he was..... (4) the beautiful summer day when he heard a girl screaming. The girl had fallen off her (5) and was now lying in a small river by the road. Her leg was injured and she was unable to get up. Vincent lifted her out of the river and (6) her to a nearby hospital. They fell in love with each other and lived (7) ever after.