

# Simple past und Past Progressive

## Übungen

### A) Sicherer Umgang mit den Verbformen:

**Bilde jeweils eine Frage sowie einen verneinten Satz. Verändere die Zeiten nicht!**

*Beispiel:* We heard a car outside the house.

Did you hear a car outside the house? - We did not hear a car outside the house.

1. She lost her purse.

\_\_\_\_\_ her purse? – She \_\_\_\_\_ her purse.

2. I rode slowly.

\_\_\_\_\_ slowly? – I \_\_\_\_\_ slowly.

3. He was making noise at midnight.

\_\_\_\_\_ noise at midnight? – He \_\_\_\_\_ noise at  
midnight.

4. They came early.

\_\_\_\_\_ early? – They \_\_\_\_\_ early.

5. They were sitting at the table.

\_\_\_\_\_ at the table? – They \_\_\_\_\_ at the table.

6. He ran away.

\_\_\_\_\_ away? – He \_\_\_\_\_ away.

7. The sun set at 7.45.

\_\_\_\_\_ at 7.45? - The sun \_\_\_\_\_ at 7.45.

8. It was getting dark at 7.

\_\_\_\_\_ dark at 7? – It \_\_\_\_\_ dark at 7.

9. I was talking to Tim the other day.

\_\_\_\_\_ to Tim the other day? – I \_\_\_\_\_ to Tim the  
other day.

10. They were working from 5 to 6.

\_\_\_\_\_ from 5 to 6? – They \_\_\_\_\_ from 5 to 6.

**B) Jetzt must du dich für die richtige Zeit entscheiden: Simple Past oder Past Progressive?**

**1. In the country**

1. When I (get) \_\_\_\_\_ up yesterday, the sun (shine) \_\_\_\_\_.
2. It (is) \_\_\_\_\_ a beautiful morning.
3. So I (decide) \_\_\_\_\_ to cycle around a little.
4. I (go) \_\_\_\_\_ to the shed and (take) \_\_\_\_\_ out my bike.
5. While I (cycle) \_\_\_\_\_ past some villages, I (see) \_\_\_\_\_ some people in their gardens.
6. One man (mow) \_\_\_\_\_ the grass while his wife (pick) \_\_\_\_\_ strawberries.
7. After one hour of cycling in sunshine, a big fat rain cloud suddenly (appear) \_\_\_\_\_ and it (start) \_\_\_\_\_ to rain.
8. Luckily, a farmer (notice) \_\_\_\_\_ me and (tell) \_\_\_\_\_ me to come in.
9. While it (rain) \_\_\_\_\_ outside, I (sit) \_\_\_\_\_ in the farmer's house. After a while, the sun (come) \_\_\_\_\_ out again.
10. I (thank) \_\_\_\_\_ the farmer for his hospitality and (move) \_\_\_\_\_ on.

**2. Mixed sentences (1)**

1. We (sit) \_\_\_\_\_ at the breakfast table when the doorbell (ring) \_\_\_\_\_.
2. He (meet) \_\_\_\_\_ a lot of friendly people while he (work) \_\_\_\_\_ in California.
3. When they (leave) \_\_\_\_\_ the museum, the sun (shine) \_\_\_\_\_.

4. The students (play) \_\_\_\_\_ cards when the teacher (come) \_\_\_\_\_ in.
5. While the children (sleep) \_\_\_\_\_, their parents (watch) \_\_\_\_\_ TV.
6. It (start) \_\_\_\_\_ to rain while she (water) \_\_\_\_\_ the flowers in her garden.
7. When I (open) \_\_\_\_\_ the door, it (rain) \_\_\_\_\_
8. While Henry (have) \_\_\_\_\_ a drink at the bar, his wife (swim) \_\_\_\_\_ in the sea.
9. He (hear) \_\_\_\_\_ a loud bang while he (talk) \_\_\_\_\_ to his friend.
10. While he (take) \_\_\_\_\_ a shower, his dogs (eat) \_\_\_\_\_ his steaks.

### **3. Mixed sentences (2)**

1. While Tom (read) \_\_\_\_\_, Amely (watch) \_\_\_\_\_ a documentary on TV.
2. Marvin (come) \_\_\_\_\_ home, (switch) \_\_\_\_\_ on the computer and (check) \_\_\_\_\_ his emails.
3. The thief (sneak) \_\_\_\_\_ into the house, (steal) \_\_\_\_\_ the jewels and (leave) \_\_\_\_\_ without a trace.
4. Nobody (listen) \_\_\_\_\_ while the teacher (explain) \_\_\_\_\_ the tenses.
5. While we (do) \_\_\_\_\_ a sight-seeing tour, our friends (lie) \_\_\_\_\_ on the beach.
6. He (wake) \_\_\_\_\_ up and (look) \_\_\_\_\_ at his watch.