Exercises

6.1 **Complete the sentences. Choose from:**

> was looking   ~~was wearing~~   wasn't listening   weren't looking
> was snowing   was working   were sitting   were you going

1 Today Helen is wearing a skirt. Yesterday she ....*was wearing*.... trousers.
2 'What did he say?' 'I don't know. I ....'
3 We ....at the back of the theatre. We couldn't hear very well.
4 This time last year Steve .... on a farm.
5 They didn't see me. They .... in 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. She .... for you.

6.2 **Which goes with which?**

1 When I got to the cafe	a when she was living in Rome.	1 ....*f*....
2 We fell asleep	b she was working in a clothes shop.	2 ....
3 Amy learnt Italian	c when I was driving home.	3 ....
4 Tom didn't come out with us	d but nobody was watching it.	4 ....
5 The car began to make a strange noise	e while we were watching a film.	5 ....
6 The TV was on	f ~~my friends were waiting for me.~~	6 ....
7 When I first met Jessica	g because he wasn't feeling well.	7 ....

6.3 **Put the verb into the correct form, past continuous or past simple.**
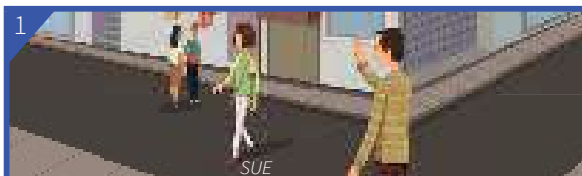
I ....*saw*.... (see) Sue in town yesterday, but
she .... (not/see) me.
She .... (look) the other way.
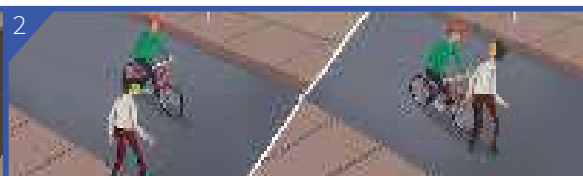
I .... (cycle) home yesterday
when a man .... (step) out into the
road in front of me.
I .... (go) quite fast, but luckily
I .... (manage) to stop in time,
and I .... (not/hit) him.

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

1 Jenny ....*was waiting*.... (wait) for me when I ....*arrived*.... (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).