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Metodický pokyn	Pracovní list sloužící k seznámení s minulým časem průběhovým, srovnání s minulým časem prostým
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Past simple and past continuous

Have a look at the following sentences and choose the best answer.

Did the things happen....?

- a) at the same time b) one after the other

- ⤴ He got dressed and went to school.
- ⤴ When I saw Peter he was waving at me.

Can you name the tenses? Complete the rules with the names of the tenses.

Use the _____ for completed action in the past.

- ⤴ They bought a CD

Use the _____ to describe an action in progress at a specific moment in the past.

- ⤴ At 4.30 I was watching TV.

We often use the past simple and past continuous together. This happens when a longer action is interrupted by a shorter action

- ⤴ The phone rang while I was cooking lunch.

Study the examples again and put the verbs in the following text into the correct tenses (past simple and past continuous)

My daily routine

My alarm clock _____ (go off) early in the morning. I _____ (press) the snooze button and _____ (go back) to sleep for ten more minutes. Then the alarm clock buzzed again and I _____ (get up). While I _____ (have) a shower my mother _____ (make) breakfast. Then I _____ (get dressed). Unfortunately, when I _____ (zip up) the fly of my jeans it _____ (break) and I had to change clothes. After I _____ (eat) my toast and _____ (drink) my tea I _____ (leave) the house. While I _____ (walk) to school I _____ (meet) my best friend John and we _____ (go) to school together. I _____ (spend) all morning at school. I _____ (sit) in class and _____ (take) notes. When the classes _____ (finish) I went home. I had to do homework and then I was free. I decided to help my mum make dinner. While she _____ (cook) pasta I _____ (chop) vegetables for a salad.

Solution

⤴ one after the other

⤴ at the same time

Use the past simple for completed actions in the past

Use the past continuous to describe an action in progress.

Exercise

went off

pressed

went back

got up

was having

made

got dressed

was zipping up

broke

ate

drank

left

was walking

met

went

spent

sat

took

finished

she was cooking

chopped