

Exercice 1 Complétez ces phrases avec was ou were et le verbe + ing

1. Yesterday at 3 am I was sleeping in my bed (to sleep)
2. Yesterday was a lovely day. the sun was shining . (to shine)
3. The birds were singing in the trees. (to sing)
4. People were walking in the parks. (to walk)
5. They were making much noise when the police arrived. (to make)
6. There had been an accident. The police was talking with a man. (to talk)
7. Journalists were taking pictures. (to take)
8. A child was crying . (to cry)
9. I was sleeping (to sleep) so I didn't hear the phone.
10. When the teacher walked in, the children were laughing (to laugh) and throwing (to throw) paper airplanes.

Exercice 2 Complétez avec des phrases négatives.

1. The sun wasn't shining so we stayed in bed.
2. We weren't having a very nice time so we went home. (to have)
3. I wasn't sleeping (to sleep) so I got up to read a book.
4. They weren't thinking (to think) straight so they took a break. (To think straight = penser clairement)
5. She went home because she wasn't feeling well. (to feel)
6. I wasn't saying anything! It was not me! (to say)
7. We weren't wearing any sun cream so we stayed in the shade.
8. You weren't drinking because you had to drive home. (to drink)

Exercice 3

- 1) « The sun was shining ». False. It was raining.
- 2) « The people were laughing ». True
- 3) « The woman was running ». False. The woman was swimming.
- 4) « It was raining and the people were talking » True.
- 5) « The children weren't sleeping » False. The children were sleeping.
- 6) « The man wasn't smiling » False. The man was smiling.
- 7) « The man was listening to music, singing, and looking very happy ». True.
- 8) « The people were watching a tennis match ». False. The people were watching a football match.
- 9) « The couple was having a nice conversation » False. The couple was having an argument/fight/...
- 10) « He was standing outside, wearing a suit, carrying a bag and waiting for a train. » True.

Exercice 4

- 1) The sun was shining.
- 2) The people (were talking)/(were having a conversation)/(were chatting) ...
- 3) The dogs (were playing)/(were holding a stick)/(were fighting)...
- 4) It was snowing / Snow was falling...
- 5) The couple was sitting by the river and watching the sunset. (par exemple)

Exercice 5 : Posez des questions. Utilisez was ou were puis le verbe avec ing

1. What ___ were _____ you _____ doing _____ yesterday at 5pm? (to do)
2. _____ Was _____ he _____ sleeping _____? (to sleep)
3. What ___ was _____ she _____ saying _____ ? (to say)
4. ___ Were _____ they _____ winning _____ ? (to win)
5. How ___ was _____ your mother _____ doing _____ ? (to do)
6. ___ Were _____ Jack and Jill ___ living _____ in the UK at the time? (to live)
7. Where ___ were _____ they ___ staying _____? (to stay)
8. Why ___ were _____ you _____ crying _____? (to cry)
9. Who _____ were _____ you ___ talking _____ to? (to talk)
10. _____ was _____ it _____ raining _____ this morning? (to rain)