

Past Simple and Past Continuous



In 2005, three young men, Chad Hurley, Steve Chan and Jawed Karim (establish) the website 'YouTube.' The men (meet) while they (work) at another Internet company. They (share) ideas about the Internet when they (realise) that it was not easy to post and share video clips on the Internet. So, the men (decide) to create a website to do exactly that. In February 2005, they (register) youtube.com and (go) online. YouTube (become) an instant success as it was user-friendly with a modern design.

Everyday, while more and more people (upload) videos to the site, even more people (watch) the videos. After only a few months online, YouTube videos (attract) more than 130 million viewers. In 2006, the three founders of YouTube (sell) their company to Google for 1.65 billion US dollars! YouTube is the third most visited website on the Internet after Google and Facebook!

Complete with past simple or continuous

- When it (stop) raining, we (go out) and (put) the kayak in the water.
- While I (wait) at the bus stop, I (see) an accident.
- Suddenly, the man (take) the purse from the woman's handbag and (run off).
- At 5 p.m. yesterday, I (read) a book about Captain Cook and my sister (watch) a film about the explorer Robert Falcon Scott.
- I (relax) in the sun when a cloud (appear) in the sky.
- When the sailor (open) the box, he (find) an old map inside.
- While everyone (argue), I (realise) it was a good time to go.
- As I (leave) the party, I finally (remember) the man's name.
- The man (wear) a raincoat and (carry) a big suitcase.
- The girl (run) through the forest when she (slip) over.
- The boy (sit) on a bench in the park while he (read) a book.
- The policeman (notice) the blood on the floor when he first (enter) the room.
- I (see) the money on the ground as I (walk) to school.

Select the right answer

- Jack fell asleep he was watching a film.
- We went out the rain stopped.
- Ann was driving the accident happened.
- I was walking, I remembered it was mum's birthday!
- They were listening to the radio they were making breakfast.
- Paul bought a ticket he got to the station.
- I heard the doorbell, I went to the door.
- we were standing outside the cinema, someone picked my pocket.
- They lived in Germany they were young.
- we were walking home, we saw a signpost for a town called Hell.

My cousin Jake went to Australia last year. He was staying in Melbourne when / while he decided to go to Lake Eyre in the Australian Outback. He was driving through the outback when / as he saw a sign for William Creek, the smallest town in Australia.

When / While he got to the town, he saw a petrol station, a car park and a hotel. There was even a small museum. The hotel was open, so he had something to eat.

He was talking to some local people when / while he was having his lunch. They were telling him stories about the outback when / while they heard a strange noise.

As / When they were looking under the table, something crawled out of Jake's bag. It was a scorpion!

