1 Circle the correct options.

1 I fell asleep when I *studied* / *was studying*.
2 My friends were looking after a rabbit until their friend *returned / was returning* home.
3 The lion was sleeping when I *saw / was seeing* it at the zoo.
4 What *were you doing / did you do* when I phoned?
5 I *wasn't watching / didn't watch* the lion when it woke up.
6 The penguins *were eating / ate* and the dolphins were jumping when we arrived.
7 The teacher *was picking up / picked up* a pen while the students were doing their exam.

2 Circle the correct option, *A* or *B*.

1 I was feeding my rabbit when my phone ___
A rang. **B** was ringing.
2 What was the baby doing when his mum ___
A come in? **B** came in?
3 We were surprised when we saw everyone ___
A was sitting in silence. **B** sat in silence.
4 Juan didn't say anything when he saw his friend ___
A left. **B** was leaving.
5 My best friend was crying because ___
A were breaking her phone. **B** her sister broke her phone.
6 When the teacher came in, the students ___
A weren't working. **B** weren't work.
7 The girl fell and hurt her leg when she ___
A ran after the chicken. **B** was running after the chicken.

3 Match the beginnings and endings of the sentences.

1 When I was getting *G*
2 When we arrived at the ___
3 Jack broke his leg while he ___
4 My sister turned off the ___
5 I was playing computer games last ___
6 The monkeys ___
7 The lion was drinking water when ___

A TV while I was watching it!
B the mouse appeared.
C was playing football in the park.
D night when my friend phoned me.
E were picking up bananas when I arrived.
F zoo, the elephants were eating.
G on the bus, a dog bit me.

4 Complete the sentences with the verbs in brackets in the past simple or past continuous.

1 The teacher arrived while we *were copying* (copy) our homework.
2 The dog_____(run) around the park when it saw the cat.
3 My baby brother was crying all morning until we _____(turn on) the TV.
4 While Susan_____(study), her phone rang.
5 Somebody_____(pick up) my phone while I wasn't looking.
6 What other animals did you see when the lions _____ (sleep)?
7 The children cried a lot while we _____ (look after) them.

5 Correct the underlined mistakes in the sentences.

1 When we walk, we saw a monkey on the road. *were walking*
2 It is raining all last winter in my town. _____
3 The old woman was get off the bus when she saw her friend. _____
4 I turned off the TV when my father saying it was time for bed. _____
5 My mother came in and saw we aren't looking after our baby sister. _____
6 The boy play football in the garden when the rain started. _____
7 When we went home, we saw the rabbit at the roundabout. _____

6 Complete Robbie's short story with the words in the box.

~~had~~	started	tried	was playing	was running
was shouting	was talking	was		

Last summer I [1] *had* a very strange experience. I [2] _____ ball in the park when suddenly it became very dark. I couldn't see anything. While I was afraid, I started to run to the entrance. I [3] _____ when I heard a scream. I stopped and was looking for help when something caught my leg. It was a little dog. It was biting me and I [4] _____ "stop" when a little girl came from behind a tree. "Don't worry," she said, "It is only playing." I [5] _____ to cry and the dog stopped biting me. "Talk to it," she said. I wasn't sure but I touched the dog on its head and it [6] _____ to lick me. Suddenly, it was bright again. I looked around but there was nobody. "Where are you?" I said but the dog and the girl were not there. I [7] _____ to myself! I woke up in my bedroom. It was just a dream.

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