

Past simple and past continuous

1 Rewrite the sentences in the past simple.

- 1 The printer is broken.

- 2 Harry doesn't know what the assignment is.

- 3 Does Jenny attach any photos to her email?

- 4 Erin shuts down her computer before she goes to bed.

2 Make questions for the answers.

- 1 When _____?
He received her email yesterday.
- 2 What _____?
We went to the cinema on Saturday and to my aunt's house on Sunday.
- 3 Why _____?
The teacher didn't set any homework because it was the last day of term.
- 4 Who _____?
I was the last person to use the computer.

3 Rewrite the sentences. Make the underlined verbs negative.

- 1 When I first met you, I was studying for my English exam.

- 2 Alex was playing football all day on Saturday. He stopped at 2 p.m.

- 3 My mum was cooking all morning. She went to see my aunt at 11 a.m.

- 4 During ICT, they were looking for a file on the computer.

- 6 When I saw him, Phil was waiting for the English teacher outside his office.

4 Make the sentences positive, negative or questions as shown.

- 1 I had an English lesson this morning.
(negative) _____
- 2 You were playing a computer game when Mum got home.
(question) _____
- 3 Charlie didn't create a new password.
(positive) _____
- 4 Your mother logged on to the computer this morning.
(question) _____
- 5 Your sister was looking for her headphones.
(negative) _____

5 Rewrite the sentences. Start with the words given and use the past simple or past continuous as appropriate.

- 1 The teacher is checking his email while he is talking on the phone.
Yesterday evening, _____.
- 2 The cat is sitting on the printer.
When I opened the door this morning, _____.
- 3 We are having a video conference when the webcam stops working.
Last week, _____.
- 4 As she is saving an email attachment, Paige clicks on a link.
Yesterday lunchtime, _____.
- 5 My friend Peter hands in his Science project, while I am looking for photos for my project.
Last Friday, _____.
- 6 Lisa is looking for a document in her computer when she realises there is a virus.
Yesterday, _____.
- 7 As the teacher is speaking, the head teacher enters the classroom.
On Monday, _____.