**past continuous or past simple? (nur für E)**

**A: Fill in the correct verb forms in past continuous or past simple**

1. We *sat/ were sitting* at the breakfast table when the doorbell *rang/ was ringing.*

2. He *met/ was meeting* a lot of friendly people while he worked/ was working in California.

3. When they *left/ were leaving* the museum, the sun *shone/ was shining.*

4. The students *played/ were* playing cards when the teacher *came/ was coming* in.

5. While the children *slept/ were sleeping*, their parents *watched/ were watching* TV.

6. It *started/ was starting* to rain while she *watered/ was watering* the flowers in her garden.

7. When I *opened/ was opening* the door, it *rained/ was raining.*

8. While Henry *had/ was having* a drink at the bar, his wife *swam/ was swimming* in the sea.

9. He *heard/ was hearing* a loud bang while he *talked/ was talking* to his friend.

10. While he *took/ was taking* a shower, his dogs *ate/ were eating* his steaks.

Solution:

1. were sitting/ rang, 2. met/ was working, 3. left/ was shining, 4. were playing/ came, 5. were sleeping/ were watching, 6. started/ was watering, 7. opened/ was raining, 8. was having/ was swimming, 9. heard/ was talking, 10. was taking/ were eating