**Past simple: regular and irregular verbs Exercise KEY**

**Complete the email with the verbs in brackets.**

Dear Jane, How are you doing? I feel miserable, I must admit. And I'm going to tell you why. Yesterday I ...........DID.......... (do) my homework, ......TIDIED............... (tidy) my bedroom and ........DECIDED............. (decide) to go out. The weather ...........WAS.......... (be) perfect and so I ....WENT................. (go) to the park. And do you know who I ...SAW.................. (see) there? Jason, my boyfriend. I ..WANTED................... (want) to say hello to him, but then I ....STOPPED................. (stop), because I ......COULD............... (can) see a girl coming to him. Guess what ..HAPPENED................... (happen). They .....MET............... (meet) in the middle of the road and he ....KISSED................. (kiss) her. My Jason! Jason and I ........WERE............. (be) in the park three times and he never .....TRIED................ (try) to kiss me! I didn't know what to do. I just ......RAN............... (run) away. When I .......CAME.............. (come) back home, I ....CRIED................. (cry). Just a little bit, you know. Then I ......SAID............... (say) to myself: Forget about Jason. There are plenty more fish in the sea! What do you think of him? Is he worth it?

Please, write back soon.

Love, Bea

**Past continuous**

**Exercise 2**

***The Thompson family. What were they doing on Sunday at 7 o'clock?***

Mr. Thompson .....WAS COOKING........................(cook) dinner in the kitchen.

Mrs. Thompson ...........WAS CLEANING…. (clean) their car in front of their house.

Jack and Eve .........WERE SITTING......... (sit) in the hall near the fireplace.

Jack, their 11 years old son, .........WAS READING............ (read) Shakespeare's sonnets.

Eve, at the age of 16, .....WAS PLAYING..................... (play) with Barbies.

Their grandma and grandpa .......WERE HAVING........... (have) a good time.

Their grandma .....WAS EXERCISING................ (exercise) in the gym.

Their grandpa ......WAS IRONING.............. (iron) shirts and socks in the living room. They also had two pets. And do you know what they ........WERE DOING............. (do)? Spot, the puppy, .......WAS CATCHING................... (catch) mice in the garden.

And Kitty, the little cute kitten, ...WAS FIGHTING.......... (fight) with neighbour's dog.

**Choose the past simple or past continuous.**

1. He WAS SLEEPING (sleep) when the doorbell RANG (ring).

2. We WERE EATING (eat) dinner at 8pm last night (we started eating at 7:30).

3. Yesterday I WENT (go) to the post office, BOUGHT (buy) some fruit at the supermarket and WAS READING (read) a book in the park in the afternoon.

4. We WERE WATCHING (watch) TV when we HEARD (hear) a loud noise.

5. Julie WAS (be) in the garden when Laurence ARRIVED (arrive).

6. A: What WERE YOU DOING (you / do) at 3pm yesterday?

B: I WAS CLEANING (clean) my house.

7. Last year I VISITED (visit) Paris and Rome.

8. They WERE HAVING (have) dinner when the pólice CAME (come) to the door.

9. He WAS WORKING (work) in the garden when he FOUND (find) the money.

10. Laura WAS STUDYING (study) at 11pm last night.

11. I WAS WALKING (walk) along the road when I MET (meet) an old friend.

12. It WAS (be) a day in December. Snow WAS FALLING (fall), children WAS SINGING (sing) carols and people WERE DOING (do) their Christmas shopping.

13. My ex-boyfriend WAS (be) so annoying! He WAS ALWAYS MISSED (always / miss) the bus and WAS ARRIVING (arrive) late.

14. When I CALLED (call) Julie, she WAS WORKING (work).

15. Why WERE YOU CRYING (you / cry) when I ARRIVED (arrive)?

16. When he GOT (get) home, we started to eat dinner.

17. At 10am yesterday I WAS SITTING (sit) on a bus.

18. I WAS ENJOYING (enjoy) my book so much that I DIDN’T NOTICE (not / notice) the train had stopped.

19. David WASN’T SLEEPING (not / sleep) when I ARRIVED (arrive), he WAS STUDYING (study)!

20. Mr Black WASN’T WORKING (not / work) in the garden at 10pm last night.