PAST SIMPLE / CONTINUOUS

Fill in the gaps with the correct form of the past simple or past continuous

1. We …………………………… (RUN) in the park when a boy …………………… (FALL) off his bike
2. When I ………………………… (PHONE) my husband, he ……………………… (WORK) in his office
3. Yesterday at six I …………………………… (LIE) in bed
4. The children …………………………… (PLAY) in the garden when it suddenly …………………………… (START) to rain
5. I …………………………… (PLAY) the guitar when he ……………………… (ARRIVE)
6. While Alan ………………………… (PAINT) a picture, his friends ……………………… (SWIM) in the sea
7. I …………………………… (TRY) to tell them the truth but they ……………………… (NOT BELIEVE) what I …………………………… (SAY)
8. What …………………………… (YOU / DO) yesterday when I ………………….. (PHONE) you?
9. I …………………………… (LISTEN) to the radio while my sister ………………… (WATCH) TV in her bedroom
10. When I ……………………… (ARRIVE), they ……………………… (PLAY) cards
11. My father ………………………… (SMOKE) a cigar while his friends ………………… (PLAY) golf
12. I …………………………… (GET) up, …………………………… (HAVE) a shower and then I ………………… (LEAVE) home
13. When Jane ………………………… (BRUSH) her teeth, the telephone ………………… (RING)
14. I …………………………… (BREAK) my arm while I …………………………… (SKI)
15. I …………………………… (DO) my homework and then I …………………… (GO) to bed