

ROCK YOUR ENGLISH!

CHAPTER 4: ANSWERS

POP QUIZ

- 1 Liz Phair
- 2 George Michael
- 3 Alanis Morissette
- 4 Aretha Franklin
- 5 Simon and Garfunkel
- 6 Kid Rock

EAR CANDY

- 1 'My thoughts were short' probably means that he had a very short attention span; that he could not pay attention to anything for a long time, or that he was easily distracted.
- 2 A 'sandbar' is a ridge of sand formed in a river or along a shore by the action of waves or currents.
- 3 Walleye is a type of fish, also known as pikeperch. It lives in rivers and lakes and is known for its large, staring eyes.
- 4 I am not sure, but if they were smoking 'funny things', then it was probably marijuana.

Fill in the blanks (page 41)

- 1 was working
- 2 was driving
- 3 were driving/were going
- 4 were flying
- 5 were studying

1 ACTIONS THAT WERE STILL GOING ON

- 1 was sleeping
- 2 was driving
- 3 was watching
- 4 was shopping
- 5 was walking

2 INTERRUPTING AN ACTION OR ACTIVITY

- 1 jogging, came
- 2 cooking, smelled, ran
- 3 walking, tripped, fell



Lyrical assignments

- 1 The first dream seems to be about someone dreaming something bad about her, because they dreamt that she was a spider, and that's kind of scary. And the dream that she had was much nicer, that the other person was in love with her. Maybe this symbolizes that there is a big difference in perception in the relationship that they have together. One person has scary dreams about the other person, and the other person has lovely romantic dreams about the other person. Confusing!
- 2 If you 'pop the question', then you ask someone to marry you. It's also called 'proposing' to someone. It can be used in several ways: He popped the question when they were having a picnic in the park. She popped the question during halftime at the football game. He popped the question when he was drunk at that party, and now we have to tell him that he's getting married next month!
- 3 This lyric seems to be about someone who had a vision, or a dream, during the night, and he has come to the darkness to talk about what he experienced. He calls the darkness 'my old friend', which means that he is comfortable in the dark.
A Dutch translation:
'Hallo duisternis, mijn oude vriend,
ik ben gekomen om weer met je te praten,
omdat een verschijning zachtjes kruipend
zijn zaden heeft achtergelaten toen ik lag te slapen.'
- 4 'Destiny' is the predetermined, usually inevitable or irresistible course of events. It can be used in different ways, for example:
 - It was his destiny to become a painter, they say he was born with a paintbrush in his hand!
 - He said it was destiny that they should meet, because he had been looking for a girl like her all his life.
 - Our destiny means that we have to work hard to fight for what we believe in.
- 5 'To shiver' means to shake or tremble with cold, fear, or excitement. You could also say 'to shake', or 'to tremble', as they all mean the same thing, basically.
- 6 A Dutch translation:
'Gisteravond laat was ik in wat oude spullen aan het grasduinen, toen ik een foto van jou tegenkwam, mijn beste vriend'



THE REMIX: THE PAST SIMPLE AND THE PAST CONTINUOUS MIXED!

- 1 was going, saw
- 2 heard, were studying
- 3 were you doing, called
- 4 was having, saw
- 5 found, was watching
- 6 was going, found
- 7 were getting, heard
- 8 was doing, remembered
- 9 dropped, was brushing
- 10 was checking, started

What are the differences between the sentences? (page 44)

I got home and the phone was ringing.

I got home and the phone rang.

In the first sentence, the phone was already ringing when you arrived at home. In the second sentence, the phone started to ring after you got home.

We arrived at the party and everybody ate.

When we arrived at the party everybody was eating.

In the first sentence, people started eating when everyone had already arrived at the party. In the second sentence, people had already started eating before you arrived. That's pretty rude, don't you think?

It was raining when I got home.

When I got home it started to rain.

In the first sentence, it was already raining when you were on your way home, and in the second sentence it didn't start to rain until you were safe and sound at home. That's much better!



Please complete the following sentences (page 44)

- 1 wanted
- 2 was waiting, started
- 3 was driving, happened
- 4 was wearing, hosted
- 5 was working, was looking, didn't like
- 6 were you doing, called, weren't
- 7 was, watching, stopped
- 8 were taking, was drinking, got, hit
- 9 was walking, heard, turned, saw, ran, could
- 10 didn't know, asked, told

