Fill in the blanks with the past continuous tense of the verb in brackets.

1. Fiona and I __________________ water at each other in the pool when Jill joined in. (splash)
2. The child __________________ bitterly for his mother at the ‘Lost and Found’ counter. (cry)
3. Mr and Mrs Lewis __________________ down the stairs when one of their grocery bags burst open. (walk)
4. I __________________ to my father when the telephone rang. (talk)
5. Keith __________________ for his football in the bushes when he saw a shiny watch on the ground. (look)
6. The siblings __________________ so loudly that their parents scolded them. (scream)
7. One of the girls __________________ the wrong way during the rehearsal. (dance)
8. The policemen __________________ the neighbourhood when a gunshot was heard. (patrol)
9. The workers __________________ the cars at the petrol station when there was a sudden explosion. (wash)
10. The baby __________________ for his milk. (bawl)
Answers

PAST CONTINUOUS TENSE

1. were splashing
2. was crying
3. were walking
4. was talking
5. was looking
6. were screaming
7. was dancing
8. were patrolling
9. were washing
10. was bawling