

NARRATIVE TENSES

PAST SIMPLE	PAST CONTINUOUS	PAST PERFECT	PAST PERFECT CONTINUOUS
To talk about a completed event in the past. * John played football yesterday with his friends. * I made a cake on Sunday. * It rained a lot yesterday evening. To talk about one event that followed another event. (Chronological order) * When Joanne finished university, she got a job in a bank and after 5 years she wrote an autobiography. *When I returned with my camera, the bird flew away. 	To talk about an action that was in progress when something else happened. * Last Saturday, John was playing football with his friends when he saw Joanne. * The phone rang while I was cooking dinner. * It was raining when I left work. In a story we often use the past continuous to say what was in progress, when something happened. (To set the atmosphere) * The sun was shining. The kids were playing football and the parents were sitting under the trees. Suddenly, it started raining...	To talk about an action in the past that happened before another action in the past. (The past of the past) * We had already put the fire out when the firemen arrived. (First, we extinguished the fire, then the firemen arrived.) *When I returned with my camera, the bird had flown away. 	To talk about an action in the past which happened over a period of time before another action in the past. * Yesterday when I was driving, the ground was wet because it had been raining all night. 

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😊 + verb past + rest +) I went to the park yesterday. 😊 + did not + verb simple form + rest. -) I did not go to the park yesterday. (did not = didn't) Did + 😊 + verb s.f. + rest ? ?) Did I go to the park yesterday? Yes, I did. / No, I didn't.	+) 😊 + was/were + verb -ing. I was working. You were playing. -) 😊 + was not/were not + verb -ing. I wasn't working. You weren't playing. ?) Was/ Were + 😊 + -ing ? Was I working? Yes, I was. No, I wasn't Were you playing? Yes, I was. No, I wasn't I, He, She, It was / You, We, They were	+) 😊 had verb p.p. I had left my wallet at home. -) 😊 hadn't verb p.p. I hadn't left my wallet at home. ?) 😊 had verb p.p. Had I left my wallet at home. Yes, I had. / No, I hadn't.	+) 😊 had been + verb -ing I had been swimming in the pool. -) 😊 hadn't been + verb -ing I hadn't been swimming in the pool. ?) Had 😊 been + verb -ing...? Had I been swimming in the pool? Yes, I had. / No, I hadn't.

PRESENT	PAST	PAST PARTICIPLE
work	worked	worked
jump	jumped	jumped
think	thought	thought
do	did	done
begin	began	begun
eat	ate	eaten
go	went	gone
sing	sang	sung