

PAST CONTINUOUS- INTERROGATIVE FORM

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- 1- Fill in the blanks with *the past continuous* form of the verbs in brackets:



THE BURGLARS' FRIEND

It was 3 o'clock in the morning when four-year-old Russell Brown woke up to go to the toilet.

His parents _____ (sleep) but some noises _____ (come) from the living room and the lights were on. So Russell went down the stairs.

There he found two men. They _____ (look) in the drawers and behind the paintings. When the two men saw the little boy they asked him his name and told him they were friends of the family. They also said they _____ (prepare) a surprise for his parents and needed a DVD player, a music system and a big TV.

Unfortunately Russell believed them and also told them where the money was in case they wanted to buy some presents.

Russell even held the door open while the men _____ (take) the objects and money to their car.

At four o'clock the burglars left and Russell returned to bed.

Next morning, when his father woke up he saw somethings _____ (miss) and he called the police. They caught the burglars while they _____ (have) breakfast in a bar 250 km away from Russell's house.

2- Read the interview and **choose the best answer** according to the text:

Daddy -Russell, love, this is a police officer. He is here to ask some questions, all right? You are not in troubles, just say the true, ok?

Russell - OK

Police Officer - What were you doing out of bed at 3 o'clock in the morning?

Russell - I was going to the toilet. I was going to the kitchen

Police Officer - Were mommy and daddy sleeping?

Russell - No, they weren't. Yes, they were

Police Officer - What were the men doing?

Russell They were repairing things in the house.

They were looking in the drawers and behind the paintings.

Police Officer - Why were they looking for things?

Russell -Because they were preparing a surprise for my parents. Because they were repairing them

Police Officer - What were they wearing? Do you remember?

Russell- No.

Police Officer - Were they driving a car or a van?

Russell- A car. A van.

Police Officer - Thank you my friend

Russell - You are wellcome. Can I go to my room now?

Daddy -Yes, darling, go.

3- Look at the questions the police officers ask and say **TRUE or FALSE**:

- a- Las preguntas se refieren al pasado TRUE FALSE
- b- Casi todas usan el "past continuous" TRUE FALSE
- c- Todas son "YES-NO questions" TRUE FALSE
- d- El verbo "TO BE" está en presente. TRUE FALSE
- e- El verbo "TO BE" se ubica delante del sujeto. TRUE FALSE
- f- El verbo principal lleva "ING". TRUE FALSE

4- Look at the rule for the **AFFIRMATIVE** form and complete the rule for the **INTERROGATIVE** form:

Affirmative



Interrogative



Let's practice!!!

1. WAS / WERE?

- a- WAS / WERE Russell sleeping?
- b- WAS / WERE his father watching TV?
- c- WAS / WERE the burglars trying to get in?
- d- WAS / WERE Russell's mother sleeping?
- e- WAS / WERE the burglars escaping when the police found them?

2. Order the words to make questions.

a. Mr Brown – doing – what - ? – was

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b. were – the burglars – masks – wearing - ?

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c. looking – the neighbours – were – when the police arrived - ?

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d. What car – driving – were – the burglars- ?

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3. Write questions to the burglars.

- a. Why / you / rob / Mr Brown's house?
- b. What / you / do / when Russell discovered you?
- c. You / wear / masks?
- d. You / have / breakfast / when the police found you?