

Exercise 1 – 1

Past Continuous Tense

1. Complete the sentences with the positive or negative forms of Past Continuous.

1. Julie _____ (sleep) at three o'clock.
2. You _____ (study) at three o'clock.
3. Luke _____ (read) at three o'clock.
4. I _____ (work) at three o'clock.
5. They _____ (eat) chocolate at three o'clock.
6. Miss Jones _____ (not/talk) to Mr. White when the murder happened.
7. You _____ (not/play) cards when the murder happened.
8. Dr. Ford _____ (not/read) in his room when the murder happened.
9. Mr. and Mrs. Green _____ (not/eat) in the dining room when the murder happened.
10. The maid _____ (not/clean) the bedrooms when the murder happened.
11. When I phoned my friends, they (play) _____ monopoly.
12. Yesterday at six I (prepare) _____ dinner.
13. The kids (play) _____ in the garden when it suddenly began to rain.

14. I (practice) _____ the guitar when he came home.
15. We (not / cycle) _____ all day.
16. While Alan (work) _____ in his room, his friends
(swim) _____ in the pool.
17. I tried to tell them the truth but they (not/listen) _____.
18. Most of the time we (sit) _____ in the park.
19. I (listen) _____ to the radio while my sister
(watch) _____ TV.
20. When I arrived, They (play) _____ cards.
21. We (study) _____ English yesterday at 4:00 pm.
22. Susan (do) _____ a knitting while her mom (clean)
_____ the house.
23. Ken and Fiona (not/go) _____ sightseeing when
Sam called them.
24. They (talk) _____ on the phone when their
mom shouted out their names.
25. Natalie (drink) _____ coffee while Joe (have)
_____ a slice of toast.
26. We (not/discuss) _____ the company budget
when Tom entered the room.
27. Jake and I (run) _____ in the park when we saw
a cat (fight) _____ with a dog.
28. Laura (paint) _____ a picture when Will turned on
the radio.