

# Learn Grammar

## A Read and learn.

### Past Continuous

Use the past continuous to talk about things that were happening at a certain time in the past.

Form the past continuous by putting the past form of *be* before the main verb and adding *-ing* to the end of the main verb.



Affirmative	Negative	Questions	Short Answers
I / He / She / It / was looking.	I / He / She / It / wasn't looking.	Was I / he / she / it / looking?	Yes, I / he / she / it / was. No, I / He / She / It / wasn't.
You / We / They / were looking.	You / We / They / weren't looking.	Were you / we / they / looking?	Yes, you / we / they were. No, you / we / they weren't.

### Remember!

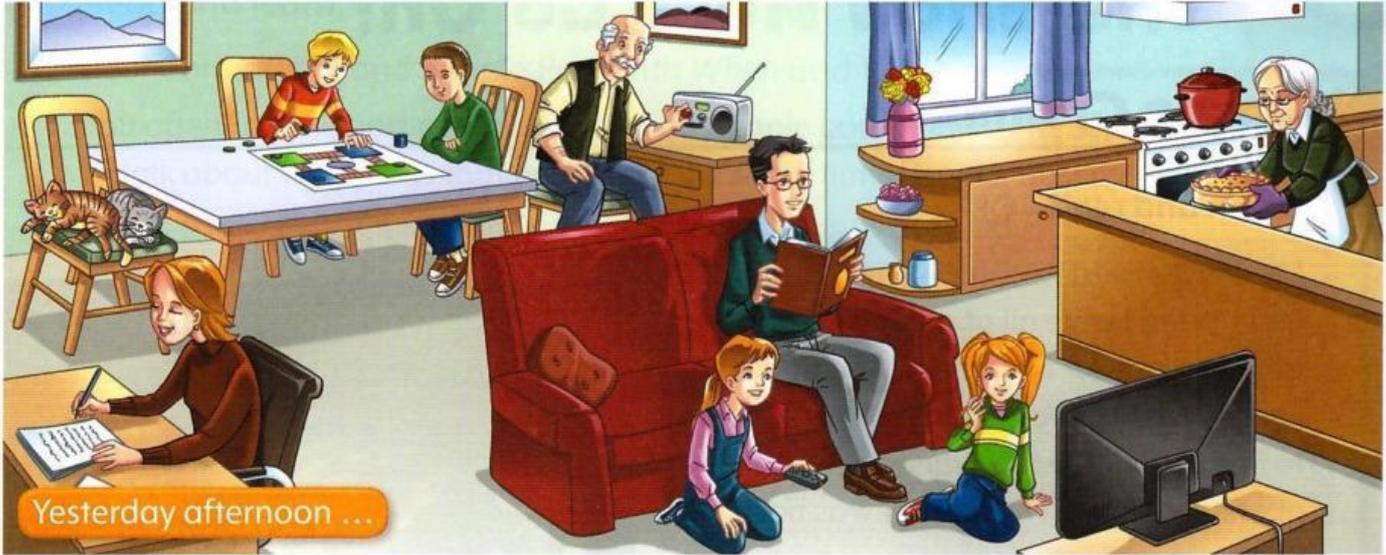
ride	e + -ing	riding
agree	+ -ing	agreeing
tie	ie + y + -ing	tying
shop	Double the consonant + -ing	shopping

## B Complete the sentences. Use the correct forms of the past continuous.

- The sun \_\_\_\_\_ (shine).
- Two birds \_\_\_\_\_ (sit) in the tree.
- A cat \_\_\_\_\_ (climb) the tree.
- Sam \_\_\_\_\_ (try) to catch a butterfly.
- The butterfly \_\_\_\_\_ (fly) away.
- Ellie \_\_\_\_\_ (write) in her notebook.



- G** Look at the picture. Write questions using the past continuous. Write short answers.



Yesterday afternoon ...

1 Mom / talk / on the phone ?

\_\_\_\_\_

2 Dad / read / a book ?

\_\_\_\_\_

3 the boys / play / a board game ?

\_\_\_\_\_

4 the girls / write / letters ?

\_\_\_\_\_

5 Grandma / make / a cake ?

\_\_\_\_\_

6 Grandpa / help / Grandma ?

\_\_\_\_\_

7 the cats / play / with a ball ?

\_\_\_\_\_

## Let's Talk!

- H** Ask and answer with your partner. Use the words in the box or your own ideas.

wash / the car   make / a cake   watch / TV   write / a poem

Were you watching TV on Saturday morning?

Yes, I was. / No, I wasn't.

Was your mom making a cake?

Yes, she was. / No, she wasn't.