

PAST SIMPLE AND PAST CONTINUOUS

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We use it for completed actions.

Auxiliary: did

Auxiliaries : was not (wasn't) / were not (weren't)

subject+verb ed/ verb past+ complement.

subject+ be past + verb ing + complement.

TIME EXPRESSIONS: yesterday, ago, last night

We use it for action in progress at a certain point in the past.

TIME EXPRESSIONS: at 9:00, while, when

We use it for short actions, or events of a story in chronological order.

We use it to set the scene at the beginning of a story.