

Grammar



Past continuous

affirmative

I / He / She / It **was going** for a walk.
We / You / They (1) ... under a tree.

negative

I / He / She / It (2) ... to music.
We / You / They **weren't standing** in the rain.

questions

(3) ... it ...?
Were we / you / they talking?

short answers

Yes, it **was**.
No, we / you / they **weren't**.

1 Copy and complete the table with the past continuous form of *rain*, *sit* and *listen*.

3 Read the spelling rules on page 39. Then write the *-ing* form of the verbs in the box.

tell do lie get come run

1. Tell- _____
2. Do- _____
3. Lie- _____
4. Get- _____
5. Come- _____
6. Run- _____

4 What were they doing? Write complete questions and answers.

he ski / ice-skate

Was he skiing? No, he wasn't. He was ice-skating.

They swim in the sea / swim in a pool

1. Question: _____

Answers: _____

She sleep /read

2. Question: _____

Answers: _____

They fight/ play

3. Question: _____

Answers: _____

It lie on the bed/ lie on the sofa

4. Question: _____

Answers: _____

He watch TV/ play computer games

5. Question: _____

Answers: _____

She go windsurfing / play volleyball

6. Question: _____

Answers: _____

5 Complete Tom's email with the past continuous form of the verbs in brackets.

Hi Emma!

Something really strange happened to me today. I (1) ... (walk) home from school and suddenly lots of apples started falling out of the sky. I couldn't believe it! It (2) ... (rain) apples! Where (3) ... they ... (come) from? I went home and told my mum and brother, but they said I (4) ... (not tell) the truth. However, that evening, my mum and dad (5) ... (watch) the news on TV and they heard the story. Nobody knows why the apples fell out of the sky, but they did. I (6) ... (not lie)!

See you soon,
Tom



7 Choose the correct words to complete the advice.

- 1 The roads are icy. Drive **careful / carefully!**
- 2 It was raining **hard / hardly** yesterday.
- 3 There's a storm. Come inside **quick / quickly!**
- 4 The sun was shining very **bright / brightly** today.
- 5 It's snowing! Dress **warm / warmly!**
- 6 When it's foggy you want drivers to see you **easy / easily**. Wear bright clothes!

