

GRAMMAR

PAST CONTINUOUS

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

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 .

Read the spelling rules on page 39. Then, write the -ing form of the verbs.

1) tell	E.g: telling	4) get	
2) do		5) come	
3) lie		6) run	

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

Example: he ski / ice-skate	
Was he skiing?	No, he wasn't. He was ice-skating.
1) they swim in the sea / swim in a pool	
	No, they weren't. They were swimming in a pool.
2) she sleep / read	
	No, she wasn't. She was reading.
3) they fight / play	
Were they fighting?	
4) it lie on the bed / lie on the sofa	
Was it lying on the bed?	
5) he watch TV / play computer games	
6) she go windsurfing / play volleyball	

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

Hi Emma!

Something really strange happened to me today. I (1) _____ (walk) home from school and suddenly lots of apples started falling out from 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) 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