

GRAMMAR IN USE | WORKSHEET

LEVEL: MOVERS B

COURSE 4 - LESSON 3

PAST SIMPLE & PAST CONTINUOUS

Task 1: Choose the correct answer.

1. We use the *past simple* to talk about _____.
 - A. an action that was in progress in the past
 - B. an action that started and finished in the past
 - C. an action that starts in the present
 - D. actions that happened one after the other in the past
2. We can use these time markers with the *past simple*.

A. yesterday, next month, last week, in 1890	C. yesterday, two weeks ago, last night, in 2050
B. yesterday, six years ago, tonight, in 1890	D. yesterday, six years ago, last week, in 1890
3. Choose all the correct forms of **verb be** in *past simple*.

A. S + was/were + not + adj/N.	C. Wh-word + was/were + S + adj/N?
B. Was/were + S + adj/N?	D. S + was/were + being + adj/N.
4. Choose all the correct forms of **ordinary verbs** in *past simple*.

A. Did + S + V (infinitive) + O?	C. S + didn't + V (infinitive) + O.
B. Wh-word + did + S + V (infinitive) + O?	D. Wh-word + did + S + V-ing + O?
5. We use the *past continuous* to talk about _____.
 - A. an action that was in progress at a specific time in the present
 - B. actions that were not in progress at the same time in the past
 - C. an action that was in progress at a specific time in the past
 - D. actions that were in progress at the same time in the past
6. Choose all the correct forms of *past continuous*.

A. S + was/were + V-ing.	C. S + was/were + not + V-ing.
B. S + was/were + being + V-ing.	D. Wh-word + was/were + S + V-ing?

7. We can use these time markers with the *past continuous*.

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| A. right now | C. now |
| B. at the moment | D. at + a clock time, while |

8. We often use *past simple* and *past continuous* together to talk about ____.

- A. actions that are happening now.
- B. something that usually happens while another action was in progress.
- C. something that happened while another action was in progress.
- D. actions that were in progress at the same time in the past

9. Choose all the correct forms to use ***past simple*** and ***past continuous*** in one sentence.

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| A. While + past continuous, past simple. | C. Past simple + while + past continuous. |
| B. While + past simple, past continuous. | D. Past continuous + while + past simple. |

10. Choose all the correct forms to use ***past simple*** and ***past continuous*** in one sentence.

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| A. When + past simple, past continuous. | C. When + past continuous, past simple. |
| B. Past continuous + when + past simple. | D. Past simple + when + past continuous. |

11. George _____ (*not clean*) his room last night.

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| A. wasn't cleaning | C. didn't cleaning |
| B. wasn't clean | D. didn't clean |

12. We _____ (*not drink*) any tea at 6 p.m. yesterday.

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| A. weren't drinking | C. didn't drinking |
| B. wasn't drinking | D. didn't drink |

Task 2: Make a sentence.

1. brushed / got up, / our / teeth and / had breakfast. / we

2. the / washing / children / I / sleeping / while / were / clothes. / was /

3. somebody / knock / the door / while / I / read / a newspaper?

4. Michael / run / catch / the bus / when / he / fall down?

Task 3: Make a question for the underlined part.

1. Richard was teaching at the university when he met his wife.

2. They saw an accident while they were driving home from work.

3. I was reading a comic book at 10 o'clock yesterday morning.

4. My grandparents sat down on the bench in the park.
