

UNIT 7

7A

Past simple

(+) I/ He/ She/ It + Be → was
You/ We/ They + Be → were

She (be) was late.

They (be) were late.

S + V → V-ed/V2

She (clean) cleaned the house.

They (go) went to school.

(-) I/ He/ She/ It + Be not → was not/ wasn't
You/ We/ They + Be not → were not/ weren't

She (not be) was not/ wasn't late.

They (not be) were not/ weren't late.

S + not Vo → did not/ didn't + Vo

She (not clean) did not/ didn't clean the house.

They (not go) did not/ didn't go to school.

(?) Be → Was + I/ He/ She/ It?
Be → Were + You/ We/ They?

Was she (be) late?

Were they (be) late?

Did + S + Vo?

Did she (clean) clean the house?

Did they (go) go to school?

Uses:

1. Actions happened and finished in the past.

I (go) went to school yesterday.

She (go) went to Danang last summer holiday.

They (come) came here 2 hours ago.

They (live) lived in New York in 1991.

Signal: yesterday, last, ago, in (time)

2. Actions happened one by one in the past.

Last night, he (come) came home at 6, (take) took a bath, (have) had dinner and (go) went to bed at 11.

3. Past habits

When I **was younger**, I often (play) played badminton every morning.
in the past

= When I was younger, I used to play badminton every morning.

used to + Vo

Exercises

I. Give the correct Past simple verbs form

1. She _____ (be) a nurse in Victoria hospital.

2. They _____ (not be) early enough to join the class.

3. I _____ (not/drink) any beer last night.

4. She _____ (get on) the bus to go to the city.
5. What time _____ (he/get up) yesterday?
6. We _____ (wake up) very late.
7. _____ (he/give) his mother for Christmas?
8. Where _____ (you/get off) the train?
9. I _____ (not/change) trains at Hang Co station.
10. _____ (they/ be) late for the meeting?
11. _____ (he/ be) old enough to get the driving license?
12. She _____ (read) the newspaper yesterday.
- 13) I _____ (not/watch) TV.
- 14) He _____ (be) late for the exam.
- 15) _____ (he/call) you?
16. _____ (I/forget) something?
- 17) What time _____ (the film/start)?
- 18) He _____ (have) a shower.
- 19) Why _____ (you/come)?
- 20) _____ (he/go) to the party?

Past continuous

(+) I/ He/ She/ It + was + V-ing.

She (cook) was cooking at this time yesterday.

You/ We/ They + were + V-ing.

They (read) were reading when he came last night.

(-) I/ He/ She/ It + was not/ wasn't + V-ing.

She (not cook) was not/ wasn't cooking at this time yesterday.

You/ We/ They + were not/ weren't + V-ing.

They (not read) were not/ weren't reading when he came last night.

(?) Was + I/ He/ She/ It + V-ing?

Was she (cook) cooking at this time yesterday?

Were + You/ We/ They + V-ing?

Were they (read) reading when he came last night?

Uses:

1. Actions were happening at a specific time in the past

He was cooking (cook) at 6 p.m yesterday.

2. Two or more actions happened at the same time in the past

When I was reading (read), my wife was watching (watch) TV and my parents were playing (play) tennis.

3. An action was happening, another action happened

When he was having (have) a bath, the telephone rang (ring).

Exercises

I. Give the correct Past continuous verb forms

1. She _____ hockey when I _____. (play - cook)
2. They _____ in the pool at 6 a.m yesterday. (swim)
3. It _____ when he _____ home yesterday. (rain - drive)
4. We _____ to music when he came. (listen)
5. She _____ to music when the mobile _____. (listen - ring)
6. The students _____ the messages when the teacher _____. (text - teach)
7. Max _____ with two girls when I came to the party last night. (dance)
8. I _____ in front of the shop when the robbers came in. (wait)
9. The cat _____ in the basket when the rat _____ into the house. (sleep – run)
10. He _____ Gerry's bike while his father _____. (repair - read)

II. Give the correct verbs form (Past simple – Past continuous)

- 1) I _____ (sit) in a classroom when you _____ (call) yesterday.
- 2) What _____ (you/do) when I _____ (text) with you last night?
- 3) Susie _____ (watch) an action film when she _____ (hear) the loud noise.
- 4) What _____ (they/do) at 11 p.m last night - It was really noisy?
- 5) We _____ (play) badminton when John _____ (hurt) his left leg.

- 6) When you _____ (arrive) at the party, who _____ (be) there?
- 7) He _____ (take) a shower when the telephone _____ (ring).
- 8) On holiday we _____ (visit) Danang, _____ (see) the Linh Ung pagoda, and _____ (spend) a few days at the beach.
- 9) When I _____ (walk) into the room, everyone _____ (work).
- 10) It _____ (be) a day last July. The sun _____ (shine) and the birds _____ (sing). I _____ (walk) along the street when I _____ (meet) some of my old friends.
- 11) Yesterday I _____ (go) to the library, next I _____ (have) a swim, later I _____ (meet) Julie for coffee.
- 12) When her train _____ (get) to the station, we _____ (wait) on the platform 6.
- 13) He _____ (be) so annoying when she _____ (come) into the office.
- 14) He _____ (be) in the shower when the telephone (ring).
- 15) Why _____ (stand) on the table when I _____ (come) into the room?
- 16) He _____ (live) in Hanoi when the Autumn rock festival _____ (start).
- 17) At 7pm yesterday, we _____ (listen) to music.
- 18) When I _____ (leave) the house, it _____ (snow).
- 19) He _____ (work) in a bank when he _____ (meet) his wife.
- 20) They _____ (live) in Germany when they _____ (be) young.