

Past Continuous

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1 Look at the photos. Write negative and positive sentences with the Past Continuous form of the verbs.



1 at 3 p.m. yesterday /
Mark and Dan /
watch TV /
play video games

At 3 p.m. yesterday Mark and Dan weren't watching TV.
They were playing video games.

2 at 10 a.m. last Sunday /
my sister / listen to
music / help me with my
homework



3 at 6.30 p.m. yesterday /
Aunt Jane /
read a book /
cook dinner

2 Match 1–6 to a–f.

1 Were you shopping at 1 p.m., Sarah?
2 Were the crew filming in the park yesterday?
3 Was Dad watching a DVD at eight o'clock?
4 Was Mum drinking tea at four o'clock?
5 Were you two sitting here a minute ago?
6 Was I talking to your grandma?

a No, we weren't. We were over there.
b Yes, she was.
c No, he wasn't. He was reading.
d Yes, they were.
e No, you weren't. It was my aunt.
f Yes, I was.

What were they doing
yesterday at 4 o'clock?
Write the questions and
give short positive (✓)
or negative (✗) answers.



1 Poppy and Harry / hang out
in the park?
Were Poppy and Harry hanging out
in the park? No, they weren't. ✗

2 Adrianna / film a new video in the park?
_____ ✓

3 Harry / play tennis?
_____ ✓

4 Emma / study at home?
_____ ✗

5 Poppy and her mum / look for a
hairdryer?
_____ ✓

4 Write questions with the Past Continuous
form of the verbs.

1 you / take photos / yesterday / 10 a.m.?
Were you taking photos yesterday
at 10 a.m.?

2 your friend / chat online to you / last
Saturday / 8 p.m.?

3 you and your classmates / have an
English lesson / on Monday / 10 a.m.?

4 What / you / do / yesterday / 6 a.m.?

* 5 Write true answers to the questions in
Exercise 4.

1 _____
2 _____
3 _____
4 _____

Extra Online Practice



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1 Read Vicky's diary. Underline the Past Continuous and circle the Past Simple forms of the verbs.

Dear Diary,

Yesterday I was sitting at home in the living room. I was watching TV when my friend, Tina, texted me. Tina was feeling bored, so she asked me to come out. I met Tina in the park at two o'clock. At half past two we were riding our bikes in the park when it started to rain. We didn't have umbrellas, so we went to my house. Mum was making biscuits when we arrived. She made us some hot tea. We were drinking our tea when the biscuits came out of the oven. We ate them all!

What a great afternoon!

More tomorrow!

Vicky



2 Put the words in the correct order to make sentences.

1 came reading I when was a book home my parents .
I was reading a book when my parents came home.

2 the kitchen was Dad when opened we the front door in cooking .

3 when the twins a game were I playing arrived .

3 Read the story and circle the correct answer.

Doctor Q
was working
 worked in his lab one day when Pi was flying / flew in.



'Doctor Q, ³I was hopping / hopped in the garden when I ⁴was finding / found this strange box. Look.'

'Thank you, Pi. ⁵I was looking / looked for that box when you ⁶were coming / came in. It's a very important box. It's my lunch box!'



Ann: Mum, this morning I ¹was using (use) the blender when it ²_____ (stop) working.

Mum: That's strange. It worked yesterday.

Ann: Olga was here. We ³_____ (put) strawberries into the blender when Dad ⁴_____ (come) in. The blender ⁵_____ (mix) the strawberries and yogurt when suddenly it ⁶_____ (turn off).

Mum: Hmm. Did you ask Dad to fix it?

Ann: Yes, and he says we need a new blender.

5 Match 1–6 to a–f.

1 <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Wendy is good at English.	a They can go fast.
2 <input type="checkbox"/>	I don't know a lot of French.	b He does his homework easily.
3 <input type="checkbox"/>	Dave is good at Maths.	c I speak it badly.
4 <input type="checkbox"/>	Dogs like running.	d Please talk quietly.
5 <input type="checkbox"/>	Grandpa is old.	e He walks slowly.
6 <input type="checkbox"/>	The baby is sleeping.	f She speaks it well.

6 Complete the sentences with the Past Continuous and the Past Simple forms of the verbs and the adverbs in the box.

carefully happily loudly politely fast

Yesterday ...

- 1 We were talking loudly when our teacher came in. (talk)
- 2 Dad _____ _____ when I saw him in the park. (run)
- 3 The dog was playing _____ in the garden when it _____ to rain. (start)
- 4 I _____ the exercise _____ when the teacher came to my desk. (do)
- 5 I was answering the nurse _____ when the doctor _____ in. (come)