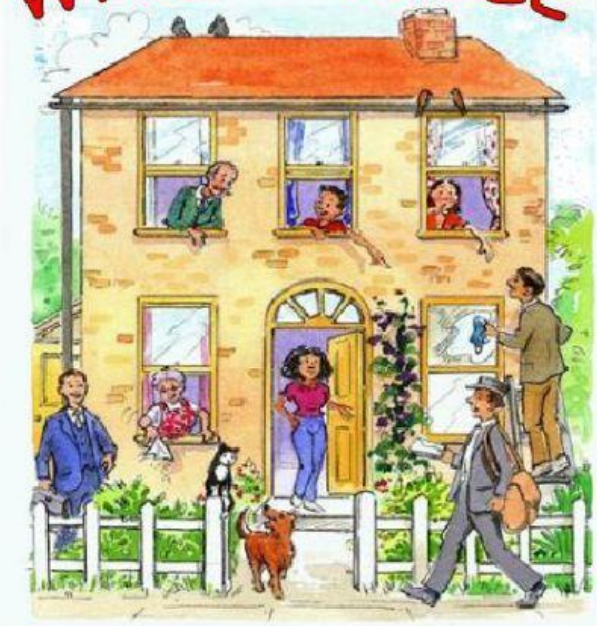
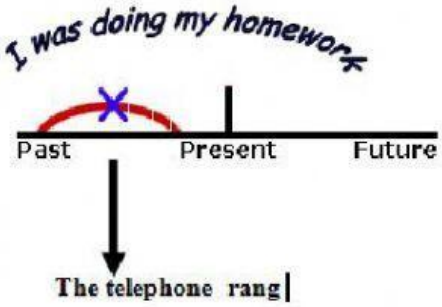
WHEN-WHILE





Doing my homework: Long-period action
Continuous action

Telephone rang: Short-period action
Action that interrupts other action

e.g. **While** I *was doing* my homework, the telephone rang.

When the telephone *rang*, I was doing my homework

"second form of the verb"

"When" is often followed by **Simple Past Tense**, whereas "while" is usually followed by **Past Continuous Tense**. "While" expresses the idea of "during that time."

➢ ***Exercises:Look at the picture above and make sentences by using both "when and while".***

1- The postman/deliver the letters/John/clean the windows.
While John was cleaning the windows, the postman delivered the letters.
When the postman delivered the letters, John was cleaning the windows.
2- My grandmother/dust the house/my mother/answer the door.
3- Sandra/look through the window/the postman/come.
4- Sally/ see the postman /my uncle /speak with me.
5- The dog/bark/my mother/answer teh door.



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6. Fill in the blanks with the correct tense: Simple Past or Past Continuous.

a- While she _____ (wash) the dishes, I _____ (turn) the lights off.

b- I _____ (read) a book when the accident _____(happen).

c- When the thief _____(enter) the building, The Browns _____(drink) champagne and _____ (celebrate) their 25th anniversary.

d-I _____ (break) the vase while I _____(run) after my little son.

e- My mother _____ (see) Melinda while she _____(walk) down the street.

f- While _____ (do) my homework, somebody _____ (call) my name.

g-When John _____ (come) to house, we _____(talk) on the phone with grandma.

h- When Sandra_____ (leave) the house, my brother _____ (ride) a bike in the park.

i-My father and my brother _____ (repair) the car in the garage when the earthquake _____ (happen).

7. Look at the parentheses and do what is wanted.

Example: You were studying when she called.(?) Answer: *Were you studying when she called?*

1-While we **were having** a picnic, it started to rain. (when)

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2- When he arrived at the house, we were discussing. (while)

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3- When I went to London, Linda was living in that city. (while)

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5-They were playing hide-and-seek. (neg)

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6- The children were playing hide-and-seek when the man shouted at them. (while)

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7-While the women were having dinner, the waiter dropped a tray on their table. (when)

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8-She was working in the bank at that time. (?)

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9-We were studying English when the door was knocked. (neg)

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