

## PAST SIMPLE / PAST CONTINUOUS

| Past simple                                                                                                     | Past continuous                                                                          |
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| Form: we add "ed" to all regular verbs,<br><i>Irregular verbs must be learnt by heart. (naučit se nazpaměť)</i> | Form: was/were + verb + ing                                                              |
| We use the Past Simple for something in the past which is finished.                                             | The Past Continuous means that at a time in the past we were in the middle of an action. |

### 1. Choose the correct form

When I **was waking** / **woke up** it **was getting** / **got** dark.

When I **entered** / **was entering** the school canteen Jim **had** / **was having** lunch with Mona.

Who was that boy you **talked** / **were talking** to when I **left** / **was leaving** the shop?

While we **drove** / **were driving** to Berlin in Robert's new car I **heard** / **was hearing** a strange noise.

When I **got up** / **was getting up** this morning the sun **shone** / **was shining** brightly.

Anna **told** / **was telling** us the whole story about Tom two weeks ago.

Joana **called** / **was calling** while I **parked** / **was parking** the car.

Miranda **drove** / **was driving** to work when she **saw** / **was seeing** the accident.

Anthony **didn't watch** / **wasn't watching** the film when Miranda **arrived** / **was arriving** home.

Last weekend Lilly **fell** / **was falling** and **broke** / **was breaking** her arm.

### 2. COMPLETE THE SENTENCES USING PAST SIMPLE OR PAST CONTINUOUS TENSE

They \_\_\_\_\_ (meet) when they \_\_\_\_\_ (work) in Paris.

What time \_\_\_\_\_ (she/arrive) last night?

He \_\_\_\_\_ (break) his foot while he \_\_\_\_\_ (play) football on Saturday.

I \_\_\_\_\_ (not/like) to disturb her because she \_\_\_\_\_ (study).

I \_\_\_\_\_ (cut) my finger while I \_\_\_\_\_ (chop) vegetables.

Mary \_\_\_\_\_ (read) in bed when she \_\_\_\_\_ (hear) a strange noise downstairs.

When Mr. Smith \_\_\_\_\_ (leave) home at 8.30 this morning, the sun \_\_\_\_\_ (shine) brightly.

Josua \_\_\_\_\_ (arrive) at Susan's house before 11 a.m., but she \_\_\_\_\_ (not/be) there. She \_\_\_\_\_ (study) at the library.

Yesterday Jane \_\_\_\_\_ (fall) and \_\_\_\_\_ (hurt) herself when she \_\_\_\_\_ (ride) her bicycle.