Past Continuous and Past Simple

Past Continuous

Long action in the past

+ _____ was / were Verb+ing

- _____ wasn't / weren't Verb+ing

? Was / Were _____ Verb+ing?

Past Simple

Short action in the past

+ _____ Verb+ed.

- _____ didn't Verb.

? Did _____ Verb?



Task A. Complete the story, using the Past Continuous.

It was 8.30 am, and Mrs. Johns came to the class.

Tom ..... (read) the book.

He ..... (not / draw). Tina ..... (revise) words from the vocabulary. She ..... (not / listen) to the radio. John and Liza ..... (make) a poster. They ..... (not / write) exercises. Susan ..... (water) the flowers and Peter ..... (help) her. Kate ..... (clean) the blackboard.

Task B. Complete the stories, use Past Continuous or Past Simple.

Peter ..... (drive) his car when his phone ..... (ring), but he ..... (not / answer). It ..... (rain) when he ..... (arrive) at the airport. Peter ..... (wait) for an hour for his flight. He ..... (read) the news for thirty minutes and then finally ..... (get) the plane. His friends ..... (wait) for him at the airport in New York and ..... (be) very glad when he ..... (come)!

Rosa ..... (do) the project when she ..... (get) a message from Susan. She invited Rosa to go to the park on Saturday. Rosa ..... (finish) her work at 5 pm and she ..... (do) shopping for the whole evening. At home, she ..... (make) pizza for an hour. Her parents ..... (drink) tea and ..... (eat) sandwiches when she ..... (come) home.

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