

Grammar in Use

A Study the grammar.

Learn Past Continuous

I **was sitting** in the grass.
The sun **wasn't shining**.

They **were eating** lunch together.
Was she **walking**?



B Look and write.



- 1 She **was sitting** in the grass in the thicket. (sit)



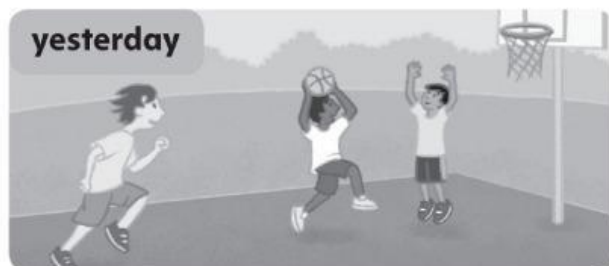
- 2 The grasshopper _____ in the grass. (not sleep)



- 3 The boy _____ a poem. (not write)



- 4 She _____ her poem to the class. (read)



- 5 The boys _____ basketball. (play)



- 6 The birds _____ in the tree. (sing)

- C** Complete the chart. Then write one more verb in the present and in the past continuous.

Present	Past Continuous
run	
	was jumping
fly	
	was buzzing

- D** Look, read, and check (✓).

1 Was the kangaroo hopping?



- ☐ **a** Yes, it was.
☐ **b** No, it wasn't.

2 Were they writing poems?



- ☐ **a** Yes, they were.
☐ **b** No, they weren't.

3 What was the butterfly doing?



- ☐ **a** The butterfly was flying.
☐ **b** The butterflies were flying.

4 What was going on outside?



- ☐ **a** The bee was buzzing.
☐ **b** The bees were buzzing.

- E** Rewrite the sentences in the past continuous.

1 The butterfly flies through the air.

The butterfly was flying
through the air.

2 The sun is shining.

3 The kangaroo leaps in the air.

4 The katydid jumps.

