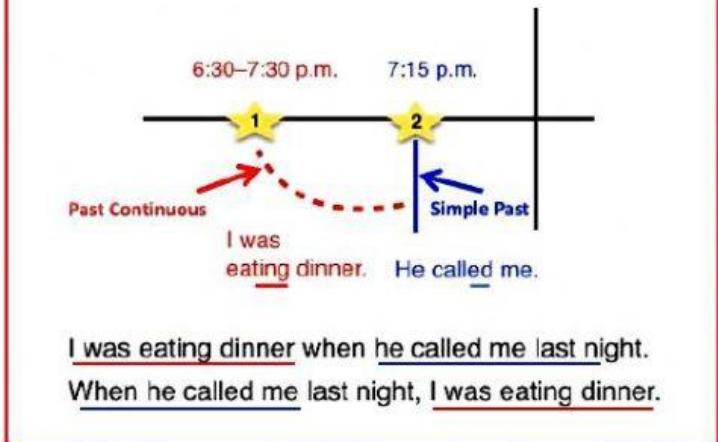


PAST SIMPLE-PAST CONTINUOUS WHEN/WHILE

Remember!

Past continuous form					
Negative			Interrogative		
I	wasn't		Was	I she he it	
She					reading?
He					
It					
We	weren't	reading	Were	we you they	
You					
They					

Simple Past vs. Past Continuous



Exceptions: There are some verbs that we DON'T use in the past continuous tense. Because they aren't **action** verbs.

e.g.: *like, love, hate, smell, seem, believe, understand, realise, belong, know, want, need, depend, suppose ...* >>>>>> **NO PAST CONTINUOUS FORM!**

A. PAST CONTINUOUS: Fill in the sentences with the correct form of the verbs in the Past Continuous Tense.

- 1) They _____ in the lake yesterday afternoon. (swim)
- 2) He _____ on the coach. (sleep)
- 3) I _____ a book. (read)
- 4) We _____ breakfast at 7 am yesterday. (have)
- 5) Sarah _____ the fence. (paint)
- 6) The kids _____ the picture. (colour)
- 7) You _____ about the accident. (talk)
- 8) The dog _____ all last night. (bark)
- 9) We _____ to the radio yesterday morning. (listen)
- 10) Pete _____ his car last weekend. (wash)

B. WRITE THE CORRECT FORMS OF THE VERBS IN THE PARENTHESSES (SIMPLE PAST TENSE or PAST CONTINUOUS TENSE?)

Remember!

when



long action/process

when + while + as



Short action/point of time

1) As Sophie _____ (walk) up Regent Street she _____ (meet) an old friend from college.

2) When _____ (father/arrive) yesterday?

3) He _____ (arrive) late. The train _____ (be) delayed due to an accident.

4) Who _____ (you/ speak) to on the phone when I _____ (come) in?

5) Mary _____ (read) in bed when she _____ (hear) a strange noise downstairs.

6) When Mr. Lawrence _____ (leave) home at 8.30 this morning, the sun _____ (shine) brightly. However, by 10 o'clock it _____ (rain) heavily.

7) Sebastian _____ (arrive) at Susan's house a little before 11 a.m., but she _____ (not/be) there. She _____ (study) at the library.

8) The fireman _____ (rescue) a 75-year-old woman who _____ (be) trapped on the second floor of the burning building.

9) _____ (you/do) any shopping yesterday?

10) Yesterday Jane _____ (fall) and _____ (hurt) herself when she _____ (ride) her bicycle.

11) What _____ (Peter / do) when you _____ (knock) on his door?

12) Helen _____ (wear) her dress to the party last night.

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

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

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

16) I _____ (play) when I _____ (hurt) my knee.

17) _____ we were getting ready for the picnic, it _____ (start) to rain.

