

PAST CONTINUOUS (THÌ QUÁ KHỨ TIẾP DIỄN)

I. Cách dùng Thì quá khứ tiếp diễn

- *Diễn tả hai hành động xảy ra song song, đồng thời tại một thời điểm trong quá khứ.*

Ex: While I was driving home, Peter was trying desperately to contact me.

Desperate: tuyệt vọng, kinh khủng

While I was studying, my sister was sleeping.

- *Diễn tả 1 hành động đang diễn ra thì một hành động khác xen vào trong quá khứ.*

Ex: I was walking in the street when I suddenly fell over.

They were still waiting for the plane when I spoke to them.

- *Diễn tả hành động xảy ra ở một thời điểm cụ thể trong quá khứ.*

Ex: At 10 o'clock last night, I was listening to music in my room.

At 9 o'clock yesterday morning/ At this time yesterday, I was watching TV.

II. Cấu trúc thì quá khứ tiếp diễn Tiếng Anh

(+) S + was/ were + V-ing + O

Ex: She was sleeping when he called her.

(-) S + was/ were + not + V-ing + O

Ex: She was not sleeping when he called her.

(?) (W-H word) + was/ were + S + V-ing + O?

Ex: What were you doing when your mother was cleaning the house?

III. Bài tập

Exercise 1: Chia động từ ở thì quá khứ hoặc quá khứ tiếp diễn

1. I _____ (call) Mr Wilson at 9 last night, but he (not be) _____ at home. He (study) _____ at the library.
2. I _____ (not hear) the thunder during the storm last night because I _____ (sleep)
3. It was beautiful yesterday when we went for a walk in the park. The sun _____ (shine). The birds _____ (sing)
4. My brother and sister _____ (talk) about something when I _____ (walk) into the room.
5. Tom went to his friends' house, but the boys _____ (not be) there. They (play) _____ soccer in the vacant lot (*bãi đỗ xe trống*) down the street.
6. The little boy _____ (fall) asleep while his mother _____ (read) him a story.
7. I really enjoyed my holiday last January. While it _____ (snow) in Iowa, the sun _____ (shine) in Florida.
8. While Ted _____ (shovel) snow from his driveway yesterday, his wife _____ (bring) him a cup of hot chocolate.
9. John _____ (have) a car accident last week. He _____ (drive) down the street when suddenly a lorry _____ (hit) his car from behind.
10. Ten years ago, the government _____ (decide) to begin a food programme. At that time, many people in the rural areas _____ (starve) due to several years of drought (*hạn hán*).

Exercise 2: Chọn đúng thì của các câu sau (quá khứ đơn và quá khứ tiếp diễn):

1. Alice saw/ was seeing the accident when she was catching the bus.
2. What were you doing/ did you do when I called?
3. I didn't visit/ weren't visiting my friends last summer holiday.
4. It rained/ was raining heavily last July.
5. While people were talking to each other, he read/ was reading his book.
6. My sister was eating/ ate hamburgers every weekend last month.

7. While we were running/ ran in the park, Mary fell over.
8. Did you find/ Were you finding your keys yesterday?
9. Who was she dancing/ did she dance with at the party last night?
10. They were watching/ watched football on TV at 7 p.m. yesterday.

Exercise 3: Chọn đáp án đúng

1. Why _____ she having dinner at 5pm?
A. was B. does C. were D. do
2. _____ Lily still working at 8p.m last night?
A. were B. does C. are D. was
3. Jack and his brother _____ playing badminton at 9a.m yesterday.
A. are B. was C. were D. has been
4. Was she not _____ her homework?
A. doing B. do C. did D. done
5. They _____ dinner when I arrived.
A. have B. were having C. were had D. had
6. My sister was reading a romance story _____ she heard a noise.
A. when B. while C. during D. where
7. At 9 a.m today Daniel _____ driving to work.
A. were B. am C. was D. is
8. They _____ sleeping when she came.
A. was B. were C. weren't D. won't
9. At this time last month, they _____ this park.
A. was building B. were building C. are building D. built
10. What _____ at 7 pm last Monday?
A. did you do B. are you do C. were you doing D. was you doing
11. They _____ to the cinema when she met them yesterday.
A. don't go B. weren't going C. wasn't going D. didn't go
12. In 2010, Asley _____ with his parents.
A. was staying B. stayed C. had stayed D. had been stayed
13. She _____ in the stadium when it rained.
A. walked B. had walked C. was walking D. walking
14. When Jenny stayed with me, she _____.
A. were always singing B. always singing
C. always sang D. was always singing
15. Mary and I _____ the house when the telephone rang
A. danced B. dancing C. was dancing D. were dancing

