

GRAMMAR

Past continuous

- 1 Read the examples. Then choose the correct words to complete the rules.

- 1 I **was taking** photographs of the girls' BMX team.
- 2 They **were riding** around the track.

- a We use the past continuous to talk about actions in progress at a particular time in *the present / the past*.
- b We form the past continuous with the correct *present / past* form of *be* and the *infinitive / -ing* form of the verb.

- 2 Choose the correct form of the verbs to make past continuous sentences.

- 1 They *were wearing* / *were wear* dark helmets.
- 2 He *isn't playing* / *wasn't playing* last night.
- 3 They *wasn't talking* / *weren't talking* about you.
- 4 What was he *doing* / *do* on the court?
- 5 *Were* / *Was* she watching the games?
- 6 Mark *is climbing* / *was climbing* yesterday.
- 7 Were they *listening* / *listen* to the match?
No, they *weren't* / *wasn't*.

- 3 Look at the picture of a park last Saturday morning. Write positive and negative past continuous sentences.

- 0 Kim / play tennis / swim *Kim was playing tennis. She wasn't swimming.*
- 1 Adam and Pete / run / skate



- 2 Myla / throw a ball / hit a ball

- 4 Megan and Ana / cycle / climb

- 3 Karl and Liam / play squash / kick a ball

- 5 Lucy / catch a ball / do athletics

- 4 Write questions in the past continuous.

- 0 you / do / sports at 3.30 yesterday?
Were you doing sports at 3.30 yesterday?
- 1 what / you / do / at 8.30 yesterday evening?

- 3 you / have / breakfast at 8.00 this morning?

- 2 you / read / at 10.30 / yesterday evening?

- 4 what / do / five minutes ago?