



Unit 6

"AT THE RESTAURANT: FOOD, DRINKS AND PAST EXPERIENCES"

Lesson N° 2

Simple Past vs Past Progressive

PURPOSE: Students use the grammar structure about Simple past vs past progressive then complete activities in the worksheet	Name and lasta name
EVALUATION: GRAMMAR ACTIVITIES	Grade and section

I Read the grammar guide carefully. Match the rules on the left with the examples on the right.

USE

It's used to talk about **an action in progress** at a specific time in the past.



We also use it to talk about **an action in progress interrupted by another past action**.



We often use this tense to talk about **two simultaneous actions**.

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Yesterday there was robbery near here. I need to ask you some questions. Mr Miller, what was your family doing **yesterday at five o'clock**?

We **were having** fun, **when** we **saw** a man running out of the park. He scared my cats.



My wife **was preparing** their dinner **while** we **were running** in the park.

I **was walking** my cats. Really! They love it!

FORM

was/were + verb - ing

Affirmative:

Ex: He was watching TV.

Negative:

Ex: I wasn't playing

SPELLING

- Final e is dropped
come ⇒ coming
- final consonant is doubled after a short, stressed vowel or consonant + vowel + cons. sit ⇒ sitting
- words ending in **x, w, y** do not double final consonant
- L** as final consonant after a vowel is doubled
travel ⇒ travelling

II Write the *-ing* form of the verbs. Pay attention to the exceptions!

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|--------------|----------------|
| 1 live | 5 fix |
| 2 run | 6 sit |
| 3 give | 7 travel |
| 4 swim | 8 open |

III Complete with WAS or WERE.

- She _____ studying for the French test yesterday.
- You _____ playing volley last Saturday.
- I _____ eating pizza with my friends.
- The students _____ writing an essay on air pollution.
- My parents _____ watching the new police drama on ITV.



SIGNAL WORDS

Usually:

When ⇒ indicates simple past

While ⇒ indicates past cont.

IV Unscramble the sentences (affirmative, negative and interrogative).

1. doing/we/test/in/weren't/class.
2. they/sleeping/9pm/were/at?
3. he/bike/was/a/riding
4. Lucy/shower/singing/the/was/in.

V Underline the correct option (simple past or past continuous).

- 1 Jim **was breaking** / **broke** his leg while he was riding his bike on a busy street.
- 2 When he arrived, I **was going** / **went** into the kitchen.
- 3 I **was seeing** / **saw** an old friend while I was waiting for the bus.
- 4 While I **had** / **was having** a shower, the phone rang.
- 5 Anna **was meeting** / **met** Judy while she was doing some shopping.
- 6 While Joe **was cooking** / **cooked** lunch, Clare arrived.
- 7 Someone **was stealing** / **stole** Peter's bag while he was making a phone call

VI. Complete the text using the past simple or past continuous.

Last weekend we were going (go) to the shopping centre when my phone 1 (ring) and I 2(answer) it. It 3.....(be) my friend Tabitha. She 4(be) already at the shopping centre. She 5.....(say) she 6.....(browse) some magazines when a man 7.....(push) her and 8(steal) her bag. She 9..... (cry). I 10.....(promise) we would go to the police together.

Complete with WHEN or WHILE



I was watching TV,
my mother called me.



She was cooking
the phone rang.



they were playing
soccer, it started
to rain.



I was studying
my friend arrived.



he was driving,
he saw an accident.



We were having
dinner
the lights went out.



the teacher was
speaking, the students
were listening.



She was sleeping
her alarm rang.



I was walking to
school, I met my
best friend.



They were watching
a movie
their father came
home.