



Let's practise the past continuous!

i We use the past continuous for an action that was suddenly interrupted by another one. For example: I was doing my homework when the telephone rang. Signal words: when, while

The past continuous also describes a past habit of someone or something that happened again and again: "He was always leaving the door open".

i How to form this tense: Use the simple past of "to be": "was" for I and he/she/it and "were" for you, we and they and then add "-ing" to the verb.

For example: I was watching TV. OR We were having lunch.

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Marie was _____ about a cartoon when I came home.

- ☐ laughed
- ☐ laugh
- ☐ laughing

?

The puppies _____ growing up fast!

- ☐ was
- ☐ were

?

Peter was always _____ us woolly jumpers.

- ☐ to knit
- ☐ knitting
- ☐ knit

?

They _____ playing football when it started to rain.

- ☐ was
- ☐ is
- ☐ were

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He was always _____ into the house with his dirty boots on.

- ☐ walk
- ☐ walked
- ☐ walking

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We were _____ lunch when Theo came for a visit.

- ☐ have
- ☐ having
- ☐ had



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They _____ singing together every week.

- ☐ were
- ☐ is
- ☐ was

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Were you _____ my Christmas present when I came in?

- ☐ hide
- ☐ hiding
- ☐ hid

?

She was often _____ in bed.

- ☐ reding
- ☐ reading
- ☐ read

?

My friends _____ just telling me about their weekend when the teacher came in.

- ☐ is
- ☐ was
- ☐ were

?

Daisy was _____ to me when she saw me earlier.

- ☐ waving
- ☐ waved
- ☐ wave

?

James and Julian were always _____ in town after school.

- ☐ meeting
- ☐ met
- ☐ meet