

PAST CONTINUOUS

(Intermediate)

Affirmative

I	was	playing.
You	were	
He	was	
She	was	
It	was	
We	were	
They	were	

Negative

I	wasn't	playing.
You	weren't	
He	wasn't	
She	wasn't	
It	wasn't	
We	weren't	
They	weren't	

Interrogative

Was	I	playing?
Were	you	
Was	he	
Was	she	
Was	it	
Were	we	
Were	they	

Yes,

No,

I	was.	I	wasn't.
you	were.	you	weren't.
he	was.	he	wasn't.
she	was.	she	wasn't.
it	was.	it	wasn't.
we	were.	we	weren't.
they	were.	they	weren't.

Fill in the blanks below to complete the sentences. Use the exemple in the above boxes.

- A: **Were** they watching TV at midnight?
B: No, they **weren't**.
- We **were** eating lunch in the cafeteria at noon.
- A: **were** you talking on the phone a few minutes ago?
B: No, I **wasn't**.
- I **was** walking home when I saw the car accident.
- My classmate and I **were** studying together at the library.
- While he **was** cleaning the house, we **were** cooking.
- A: What **were** you doing at one o'clock?
B: I **was** sleeping.
- The car engine **wasn't** working, so I had to fix it.

9. A: **were** you listening to the teacher?
B: Yes, I **was**.
10. At seven o'clock, Mr. Smith **was** robbing the bank.
11. Steven **wasn't** doing his homework, he was playing with his friends.
12. It **was** raining last night, so I took my umbrella.
13. Anne **was** studying in London last year.
14. I **was** working as a teacher when I first met your mother.
15. We **were** swimming while you **were** playing volleyball.

Complete the story.

Every day James Lullaby travels to London. Yesterday he **was driving** his car, when he **saw** a dog in the middle of the road. The dog **was watching** the car. James **stopped** and **got out** of his car. As he **was getting out**, the dog **ran** away. James **went** back to his car. While he **was getting** in it, the dog **appeared** again and **sat** down in the middle of the road. James **started** the engine, but the dog **didn't move**. James **jumped** out of the car and **shouted** at the dog. The dog **barked** at him and **started** to run. James **followed** the dog. Suddenly, he **saw** two girls lying on the grass. They **were bleeding**.

Make the sentences negative.

Example:

*James heard a dog on the road.
No, he didn't hear a dog in the road.*

- a) James was riding a motorbike.
No, he wasn't riding.
- b) James ran over the dog.
No, he didn't run over.
- c) James threw a stone at the dog.

No, he didn't

d) The dog was barking at James all the time.

No, it wasn't barking.

e) The dog bit James.

No, it didn't bite.

f) The girls were sitting on the grass.

No, they weren't sitting.

Make the policeman's questions.

Policeman: What were you doing?

James: I was driving to work.

Policeman: What time did you meet the dog?

James: I saw him at about 8.30.

Policeman: Were you driving when you saw the dog?

James: No, I wasn't.

Policeman: What did the dog do?

James: He ran away.

Policeman: How did you find the two girls?

James: I followed the dog, when he came back.

Policeman: Did you see anyone else?

James: No, I didn't.

Policeman: Did you call an ambulance?

James: No, I didn't. I drove the girls to the hospital.

Decide if each question or statement is correct or wrong. Following the quiz correct the wrong sentences.

- 1. I left home at six-thirty this morning and went to work.**
a) **Correct**

b) Wrong

2. **Stewart wasn't careful. He hit a tree and he was falling off his bike.**

a) Correct

b) Wrong

Correct form:

Stewart wasn't careful. He hit a tree and he **fell** off his bike.

3. **He was doing his homework when I called him.**

a) Correct

b) Wrong

4. **I watched TV when I heard the phone ring.**

a) Correct

b) Wrong

Correct form:

I **was watching** TV when I heard the phone ring.

5. **(A) Was the dog barking?
(B) No, it didn't.**

a) Correct

b) Wrong

Correct form:

(A) Was the dog barking?

(B) No, it **wasn't**.

6. **Did the storm wake you up? It was raining heavily all night.**

a) Correct

b) Wrong

7. **My friend was already eating lunch when I met him in the cafeteria.**

a) Correct

b) Wrong

8. I didn't sleeping when my friend rang the doorbell.

- a) Correct
- b) Wrong

Correct form:

I **wasn't sleeping** when my friend rang the doorbell.

9. (A) Did you watch the movie?
(B) Yes, I was.

- a) Correct
- b) Wrong

Correct form:

(A) Did you watch the movie?

(B) Yes, I **did**.

or possibly:

(A) Were you watching the movie?

(B) Yes, I **was**.

10. (A) Why are you laughing yesterday?
(B) I was reading a funny book.

- a) Correct
- b) Wrong

Correct form:

(A) Why **were** you laughing yesterday?

(B) I was reading a funny book.

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