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Lesson: The past continuous



+ **Subject + Was/Were + Verb (ing) + Object.**
I was going to school.

- **Subject + Was/Were + Not + Verb (ing) + Object.**
I was not going to school.

? **Was/Were + Subject + Verb (ing) + Object ?**
Was I going to school?



Past Continuous Tense

As the name suggests, Past continuous tense describes an action which shows continuation, an action that happened in the past and continued to happen over a period of time.
For example, The dog was barking at the moon.

To make an **affirmative**, we use the following formula,
Subject + was/were + present participle + object

To make a **negative** sentence, we use the following formula,
Subject + was/were not + present participle + object

In order to ask **questions**, we use the following formula,
Wh- + Were/was + subject + present participle + object

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The definition of the past continuous

The past continuous describes actions or events in a time before now, which began in the past and were still going on when another event occurred.

Examples

- They **were waiting** for the bus when the accident happened.
- Caroline **was skiing** when she broke her leg.
- When we arrived he **was having** a bath.
- When the fire started I **was watching** television.

