

Reviewing Simple past

Simple past Vs. Past Continuous

A. Reviewing Simple past

1. Fill in the words into the crossword. Click on the link

http://www.englisch-hilfen.de/en/exercises/tenses/simple_past_ed3.htm

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2. Put the correct forms of the verbs into the gaps. Use Simple Past in the statements. Click on the link.

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3. Put in the verbs in brackets into the gaps. Use Simple Past. Watch the punctuation and form sentences or questions. Click on the link.

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B. Simple Past Vs. Past Continuous

1. Look at the picture.



Jack was reading
a book.



The phone rang.



He stopped reading.



He answered the
phone.

What was happening in the first picture? What happened in the second picture?

What action was happening first picture 1 or picture 2? What happened second? Look at picture 3 and 4. What's the tense in those pictures?

2. Now look at the following chart.

Simple Past vs. Past Continuous

Simple Past

We use the **simple past** to talk about:

Completed actions, **habits** and **facts** in the past.

- I **went** to the cinema **yesterday**.
- I **always visited** my grandparents in my summer holidays **when I was little**.
- I **lived** near Liverpool for a couple of years.

Past Continuous

The **past continuous** is used to express:

Interrupted actions, **specific time** as an **interruption** and **parallel** actions.

- I **was watching** TV **when** the phone rang.
- Last night at 7pm**, I **was having** dinner.
- While** she **was doing** her homework her brother **was playing** football.




Form

Simple Past	Past Progressive
irregular verbs: see 2nd column of irregular verbs I spoke regular verbs: verb + ed I worked	past form of 'be' + ing form of verb I was speaking you were speaking he / she / it was speaking we were speaking they were speaking

3. Draw a mind or a chart summarizing what you know about these two tenses.

C. Let's practice!

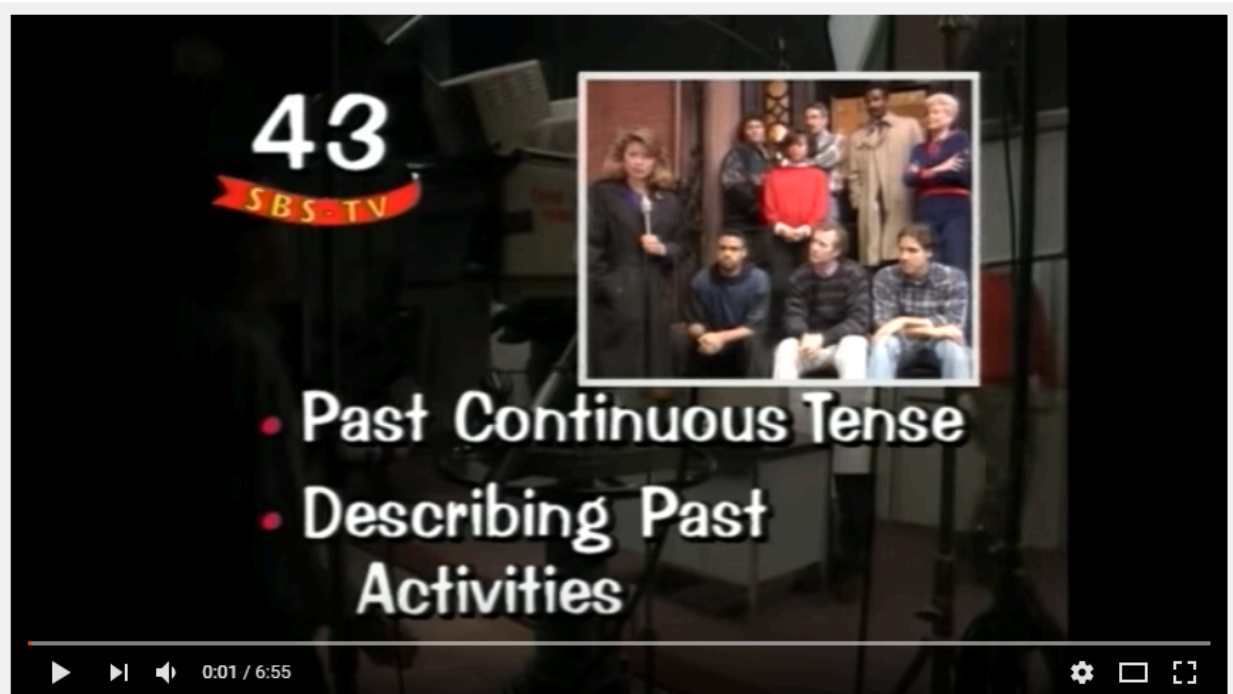
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1. Choose the correct verb forms. Use Simple Past or the Past Progressive. Click the link.

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2. Choose the past simple or past continuous:

1. What _____ (you / do) when I _____ (call) you last night?
2. I _____ (sit) in a café when you _____ (call).
3. When you _____ (arrive) at the party, who _____ (be) there?
4. Susie _____ (watch) a film when she _____ (hear) the noise.
5. Yesterday I _____ (go) to the library, next I _____ (have) a swim, later I _____ (meet) Julie for a coffee.
6. We _____ (play) tennis when John _____ (hurt) his ankle.
7. What _____ (they / do) at 10pm last night? It _____ (be) really noisy.
8. He _____ (take) a shower when the telephone _____ (ring).
9. He _____ (be) in the shower when the telephone _____ (ring).
10. When I _____ (walk) into the room, everyone _____ (work).

D. Let's watch a video



PAST CONTINUOUS TENSE

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=jkOXNxoMCIA>

Past Continuous Tense Describing Past Activities

MORNING EDITION—Model/News Co-anchors Bob Rogers and Jackie Williams report about last night's blackout in Centerville.

A. Scott Mason interviews people about their experiences during the blackout,

Watch the video and write down what people were doing when the lights went out. 0:44

1. The man was washing the dishes and his wife was giving the baby a bath
2. The blond woman was washing her clothes at the laundromat.
3. The woman and her husband were watching t.v. and their children were doing the homework.

B. Now Gloria Rodriguez interviews Fred Watts at the Power Company. Watch and write true or false after reading the following statements. 1:47

1. Gloria is at the centerville power company with Scott Mason. T
2. The lights went out all over town. T
3. They are sure the reason for the problem was that it was raining really hard. F
4. They had a party last night and they didn't watch the controls T

C. After watching Gloria's interview answer the question: Why did the lights go out last night?

D. What were the people at the TV station doing when the lights went out? Match the people and what they were doing. (2:57)

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E. OUR NEIGHBORS, OUR LIVES—A preview of today's soap opera episode. (soap operas are dramatic programs with a continuing storyline. These programs are usually shown daily.)

Complete the sentences using the correct tense.

1. I _____ (see) you yesterday but you _____ (see) me.
2. You _____ (get) out of a taxi on Main street.
3. That _____ (be) me. Yesterday at 2:30 I _____ (cook) dinner.
4. Mmm. i guess, I _____ (make) a mistake.

F. "I SEE YOU" OPTICIANS—Exercise/ Commercial Dr. Ernesto Retina stresses the importance of an eye examination.

Watch and answer the questions:

1. Was the man jogging at 4 o'clock yesterday?

2. What was the man doing?

3. What did it really happen with the first man?

G. MORNING EDITION—Reporter Maxine Baxter talks with tenants of an apartment building about yesterday's robbery.

What were the tenants doing yesterday when the robbery happened? 5.05

Tenant 1. _____

Tenant 2. _____

Tenant 3. _____

Tenant 4. _____

Tenant 5. _____

Tenant 6. _____

How do they feel about what happened? Write the expressions they use to describe how they feel.

1. _____

2. _____

3. _____