



## Past Continuous Tense

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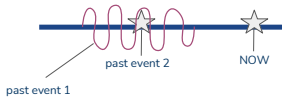
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### past continuous tense



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Long action

2 actions

Before/after structure

Setting the scene

Change and growth

Wonder



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1

Long action

*It was raining all morning*

*She was crying all night*

*They were talking on the phone all afternoon*

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Long action

*It was raining all morning*

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2

2 actions

*I was cooking whilst he was watching TV*

*She was walking but I was running*

*He was doing his homework when I arrived home*

*They were getting ready for bed when I got upstairs*

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2

2 actions

*I was cooking whilst he was watching TV*

COOKING

NOW

COOKING

WATCHING TV

NOW

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2 actions

*I was cooking whilst he was watching TV*

COOKING

NOW

COOKING

WATCHING TV

NOW

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2 actions

*He was doing his homework when I arrived home*

HOMEWORK

NOW

HOMEWORK

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2 actions

*He was doing his homework when I arrived home*

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COOKING

WATCHING TV

*I was cooking whilst he was watching TV*

HOMEWORK

*He was doing his homework when I arrived home*

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3

Before/after structure

*It was 7pm and I was having dinner*

*At 8am I was waking up*

*At 5pm he was finishing work*

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Before/after structure

*It was 7pm and I was having dinner*

7pm

NOW

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4

Setting the scene

*It was raining outside, the trees were blowing in the wind, the wind was howling down the chimney and the house was shaking.*

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4

Setting the scene

*It was raining outside, the trees were blowing in the wind, the wind was howling down the chimney and the house was shaking.*

RAINING

TREES BLOWING

WIND HOWLING

HOUSE SHAKING

NOW

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Change and growth

*They were getting tall quickly*

*I was thinking about buying a new house*

*She was going to do her homework, but she changed her mind*

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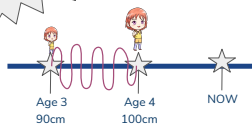
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Change and growth

*They were getting tall quickly*



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Wonder

*I was wondering if you'd like to go out with me?*

*She was wondering if she could call you?*

*They were wondering if you're interested in the job offer?*

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I	was	reading
you	were	reading
he	was	reading
she	was	reading
it	was	reading
we	were	reading
they	were	reading

to read



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I	was	not	reading
you	were	not	reading
he	was	not	reading
she	was	not	reading
it	was	not	reading
we	were	not	reading
they	were	not	reading

to read



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I	wasn't	reading
you	weren't	reading
he	wasn't	reading
she	wasn't	reading
it	wasn't	reading
we	weren't	reading
they	weren't	reading

to read



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Who  
What  
Where  
When  
Why  
How much

was	I	reading?
were	you	reading?
was	he	reading?
was	she	reading?
was	it	reading?
were	we	reading?
were	they	reading?

to read





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Were you watching the TV?

Yes

I	was
you	were
he	was
she	was
it	was
we	were
they	were



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Were you watching the TV?

No

I	was not
you	were not
he	was not
she	was not
it	was not
we	were not
they	were not



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Were you watching the TV?

No	I	wasn't
	you	weren't
	he	wasn't
	she	wasn't
	it	wasn't
	we	weren't
	they	weren't

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