

# Relembrando Past continuous

O Past Continuous é um tempo verbal utilizado para indicar ações contínuas que ocorreram no passado. O verbo *to be* no simple past é o auxiliar do *Past Continuous*.

***I was***

***You were***

**I was reading**

***He was***

***She was***

***It was***

***We were***

***They were***

# Uso do Past continuous

**Para expressar duas ou mais ações que acontecem ao mesmo tempo no passado. Nesse caso, é muito comum o uso da palavra *while* (enquanto) ou *when* (quando)**

**I was reading** a book **while** **he was watching** TV. (Eu estava lendo um livro enquanto ele estava assistindo TV).

**We were talking** **when** the teacher **arrived**. (Estávamos conversando quando a professora chegou.)

**Para expressar uma ação contínua no passado, que já estava acontecendo, quando outra mais pontual ocorreu. Nesse caso, a ação pontual no passado é expressa pelo *Simple Past* (Passado Simples).**

**They were studying** when somebody **rang** the bell. (Eles estavam estudando quando alguém tocou a campainha.)

# Regras de formação do Past Continuous

## Forma Afirmativa (Affirmative Form)

Sujeito + Verbo *to be* no *Simple Past* + Verbo principal com *-ing* +  
Complemento

**Exemplo:** *She was going to my house.* (Ela estava indo para a  
minha casa.)

## Forma Negativa (Negative Form)

Nas frases negativas, utiliza-se o *not* após o verbo *to be*. Observe a formação correta:

Sujeito + Verbo *to be* no *Simple Past* + *not* + Verbo principal com *-ing* + Complemento da frase

## Forma Interrogativa (Interrogative Form)

Verbo *to be* no *Simple Past* + Sujeito + Verbo principal com *-ing* +  
Complemento

**Exemplo:** *Was she going to my house?* (Ela estava indo para a minha casa?)

- a) I \_\_\_\_\_ a very pleasant book last night. (to read)
- b) He \_\_\_\_\_ TV when his mother arrived. (to watch)
- c) My father and my little brother \_\_\_\_\_ soccer yesterday. (to play)
- d) My mother \_\_\_\_\_ lunch with her friends last week. (to have)
- e) They \_\_\_\_\_ hard in their College project. (to work) f) Kelly \_\_\_\_\_ yesterday. (study) g) I \_\_\_\_\_ about games with Elliot. (walk)
- h) We don't know where Julian and Patrick \_\_\_\_\_. (go)
- i) 4. I think the car \_\_\_\_\_ noise because it's old. (make)
- j) The door and the window \_\_\_\_\_ the wind. (block)

## Respostas n° 1

a) was reading

b) was watching

c) were playing

d) was having

e) were working



2- Which alternative show the correct structure of the past continuous:

a) verb to be (present) + main verb + ing

b) verb to be (past) + to + main verb

c) verb to be (past) + main verb + ing

d) verb to be (present) + to + ing

e) verb to be (past) + ing

**Resposta letra c**

3- Passe as frases para o past continuous

a) I am looking for a new job.

b) Cezar is working out his marriage.

c) I didn't know what is happening.

d) Where are you going today?

e) Patrick and Stewart are studying hard for the challenge.

## Respostas nº 3

a) I am looking for a new job.

b) Cezar was working out his marriage.

c) I didn't know what was happening.

d) Where was you going today?

e) Patrick and Stewart was studying hard for the challenge.