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# Tenses of English language

**Past Simple**

**Past Continuous**

**Past Perfect**

**Past Perfect  
Continuous**

yesterday last year in 1476

# SIMPLE PAST TENSE

in 1995 5 years ago last week

# WAS/WERE(FORM)

## AFFIRMATIVE & NEGATIVE FORM



I

He

She

It

**was/wasn't** at school yesterday.



We

You

They

**were/weren't** at the beach last week.





# QUESTION FORM



**Was** → I  
He  
She  
It

- hungry?
- Yes, she **was** hungry.
  - Yes, she **was**.
  - No, she **wasn't** hungry.
  - No, she **wasn't**.

**Were** → We  
You  
They

at the theatre  
last weekend?

- Yes, we **were**.
- No, we **weren't**.



# QUESTION FORM



I  
You  
He  
She  
It  
We  
You  
They

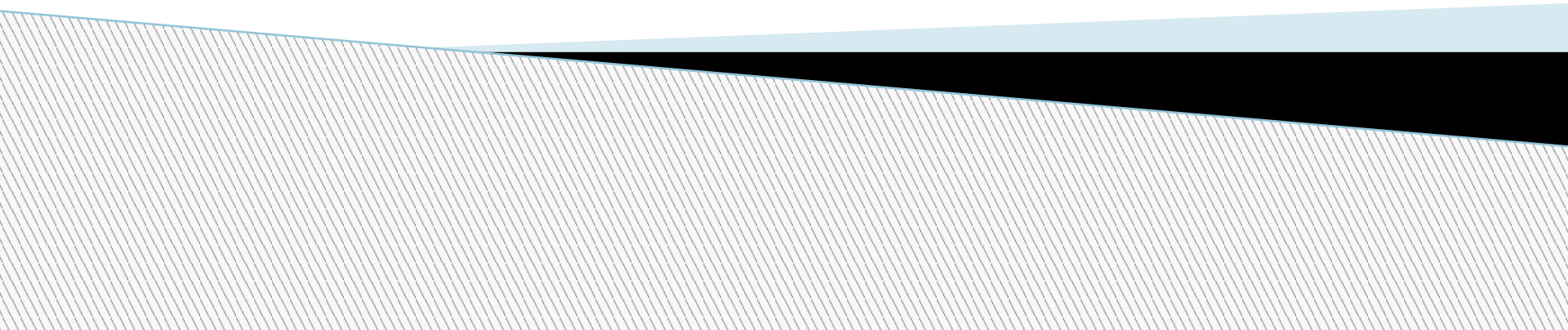
**find** your umbrella?

- Yes, I **found** my umbrella.
- Yes, I **did**.
- No, I **didn't find** my umbrella.
- No, I **didn't**.



**Did** →

**Past continuous**



# Key words

**1. While**

**2. Interruption**

*Last night, while I was sleeping,  
the sound of the broken window  
woke me up.*



## Affirmative(Declarative)

- I, He, She, It + was + v-ing

I **was studying**.

He **was playing**.

- You, We, They + were + v-ing

You **were reading**.

They **were sleeping**.

## Negative form

- I, He, She, It + wasn't(not) + v-ing

I **wasn't (not) studying.**

He **wasn't (not) playing.**

- You, We, They + weren't(not) + v-ing

You **weren't (not) reading.**

They **weren't (not) sleeping.**

## Question form

- Was + He, She, It + v-ing?

**Was** he working?

- Were + you, we, they + v-ing?

**Were** they working?

## Short answers

- Yes, he, she, it + was.

you, we, they were.

- No, he, she, it + wasn't.

you, we, they + weren't.

- 1 What were the people doing yesterday evening?  
Look at the pictures and complete the sentences  
with words from the box.  
Use past progressive verbs.

cook supper    dance    drive home  
not watch TV    play cards ✓

- ▶ At 9.15 Sarah *was playing cards*.....  
1 At 10.30 Fred and Alice *were dancing*.....  
2 At 8.20 Keith *was cooking dinner*.....  
3 At 7.50 Mary *was driving home*.....  
4 At 11.00 Oliver *was not watching T.V.*.....



# Past Perfect Tense



# Past Perfect

*Past Perfect* употребляется для выражения прошедшего действия, которое совершилось до определенного момента в прошлом.



had + V<sub>3/ed</sub>

## Statements

➤ Mary **had cleaned** the room by 7 o'clock.

## Questions

➤ **Had** Mary **cleaned** the room by 7 o'clock?

## Negations

➤ Mary **hadn't cleaned** the room by 7 o'clock.

# Forms :

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- I you/she/he/it/we/they had + past participle.
- Example:
- I had washed my clothes before she came.
- Negative:
- I you/she/he/it/we/they had + not+ past participle.
- Example:
- I hadn't prepared lunch yet when she came in.
- Interrogative:
- Had you/she/he/it/we/they + past participle ?
- Example:
- Had she prepared lunch when her neighbour came in?

# **Past Perfect Continuous**





# PAST PERFECT CONTINUOUS (**Aff.**)

(General)

I	}	<b>had been + -ing</b>
You		
He / She / It		<b>had been + -ing</b>
We	}	<b>had been + -ing</b>
You		
They		



Do

I	}	<b>had been doing</b>
You		
He / She / It		<b>had been doing</b>
We	}	<b>had been doing</b>
You		
They		

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