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## WORD ORDER

- 1) *When* I was studying, he called me.
- 2) I was studying *when* he called me.
- 3) *While* I was studying, he called me.
- 4) *As* I was studying, he called me.

*when* + past simple or continuous

*while/ as* + past continuous

**Present vs past**

- Habits and routines in the present

- 1. I **get** up every day at 6 a.m. and **go** to work.

- Habits and routines in the past

1. When I was a kid, I **got** up every day at 7 a.m. and **went** to school.

- An action in progress now or around now
- 1. I **am talking** right now. I'm **teaching** level intermediate this semester.
- 2. While I'm **talking**, you're **listening**.

- An action in progress at the moment in the past or around it
- 1. This time last year I **was talking** too, but I **was teaching** upper-intermediate level that semester.
- 2. While I **was talking**, my students **were listening**.

- A completed action in the past, result in the present

- 1. She doesn't want to watch this movie because she's **seen** it already.

- 2. I am sad because I've **lost** my notebook.

- A completed action in the pre-past, result in the past

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- 2. I was sad because I'd **lost** my notebook.

- A completed action before the present (experience)

- 1. I 'm so happy to finally visit the Bahamas. Look! I've never **seen** such a beautiful sunset before!



- 2. My sister loves travelling. She's **been** to 10 countries by now/ up to now.

- A completed action before something in the past (experience)

- 1. I was so happy to finally visit the Bahamas. I'd never **seen** such a beautiful sunset before. (before I visited the Bahamas)

- 2. My sister loved travelling. She'd **been** to 10 countries by (then/ 2017/ the time she turned 18).



- Don't come in! I **haven't finished** cleaning yet.

- I **hadn't finished** cleaning when my friend tried to enter the room.



- Present perfect – no exact time

~~1. I have visited the USA in 2015.~~

I visited the USA in 2015.

- Past perfect – possible to use exact time

• 1. She **had visited** the USA once in 2015 before she moved there in 2017.

- Past perfect with 'thinking' verbs: realize, understand, find out, learn, remember...

1. I came to the office and realized I'd left my wallet at home.

• 2. As he was telling the joke, I remembered I'd heard it before.



Let's practise!!!

# Zenyk and Angelina missed their flight because...



while Angelina  
\_\_\_\_\_ (pack), Zenyk  
\_\_\_\_\_ (watch) TV.

**while Angelina was  
packing, Zenyk was  
watching TV.**

When they  
\_\_\_\_(drive) to the  
airport, their car  
\_\_\_\_(break).

**When they were  
driving to the  
airport, their car  
broke.**



When they finally  
\_\_\_\_(get) to the  
airport, the plane  
\_\_\_\_(already/leave).

**When they finally  
got to the airport,  
the plane had  
already left.**