

PAST CONTINUOUS

A2 | Teens / Adults | Grammar Question Practice | 20-30 minutes

Describe actions in progress at a particular time in the past.

1. GET STARTED

Take turns asking and answering. Add a detail, then ask a follow-up question.

A: I called you at eight, but you didn't answer.

B: Sorry. I **was cooking**, and my phone **was charging** upstairs.

A: No problem. What **were** you **making**?

2. AT THAT MOMENT

1. What **were** you **doing** at eight last night?
2. Where **were** you **sitting** at lunchtime yesterday?
3. What **were** you **wearing** yesterday morning?
4. **Were** you **using** your phone at ten last night?
5. What **were** you **doing** at this time yesterday?
6. What **was** a family member **doing** yesterday evening?

Keep talking: Who was with you? / What else was happening?

3. REMEMBER A SCENE

Think of a busy place you visited recently. Describe one moment there.

7. Where **were** you **standing** or **sitting**?
8. What **were** people near you **doing**?
9. **Was** anyone **talking** loudly?
10. What **was** the weather **doing**? Was it raining?

4. DESCRIBE A SNAPSHOT

Imagine a photo of a family picnic yesterday. Give each person an activity.

Your partner asks questions about the people and the weather. Then swap roles.

Example: Two children **were playing**. / What **were** the adults **doing**?

Answer help: I was ...-ing ... / We were ...-ing ... / She wasn't ...-ing ...

Remember: was / were + verb-ing: an action in progress at a past moment.