



## Past continuous form

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Ex 1. Match the Column A with Column B

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- 1 While I was driving home **E**
- 2 We were watching the children **C**
- 3 He cut his finger **A**
- 4 At eight o'clock yesterday morning **B**
- 5 While she was crossing the street, **D**
- 6 While they were talking, **F**

Column B

- a as he was chooping wood.
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Ex 2 Open the brackets using the Present Continuous or Past Continuous

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6. What your father (to do) from eight till nine yesterday?
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Ex 3. Choose the correct answer

1. Mary prepared / **was preparing** lunch when they **came** / was coming.
2. Tom was very unlucky. It **rained** / was raining every day during his holidays.

3. Who was that nice girl you talked / **were talking** to when I **walked** / was walking by the pub?
4. Last weekend Susan **fell** / was falling and **broke** / was breaking her leg.
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6. We **drove** / were driving to Berlin in Robert's new car.
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- A It was rained yesterday when I left the office{.
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- {4 A - Were she cleaning her room the whole evening? - No, she wasn't{.
- B - **Was she cleaning her room the whole evening? - Yes, she was{.**
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- {6 A - Kate and her father were walking in the park? - No, they wasn't{.
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- 8 A **What were you doing at 9 o'clock last night?**
- B What you were doing at 9 o'clock last night{?
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- 9 {A They was not having dinner when I arrived{.
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Ex 5 Translate the sentences from Russian into English

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2 Она писала сочинение IELTS, когда зазвонил телефон?

3 В то время, пока Бен спал прошлой ночью, кто-то украл его ключи.

4 Вы обсуждали последние новости, когда начался снег?

5 Вчера в 6 часов вечера мы не ели суши.

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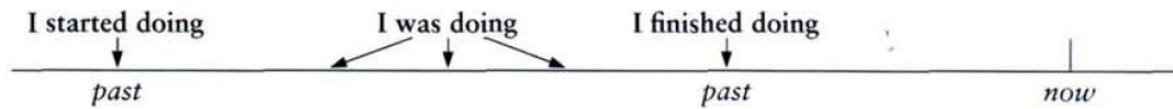
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I was doing something = I was in the middle of doing something at a certain time. The action or situation had already started before this time, but had not finished:



- This time last year I was living in Brazil.
- What were you doing at 10 o'clock last night?
- I waved to Helen, but she wasn't looking.

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