

C while

While I **was getting** up, the boys **were laughing**.
The boys **were talking while** they **were walking** towards me.

Note

Si può usare **while** (mentre) per unire due azioni simultanee al **Past continuous**.

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1 Put the verbs in brackets into the Past continuous. Then match beginnings and endings and rewrite the sentences.

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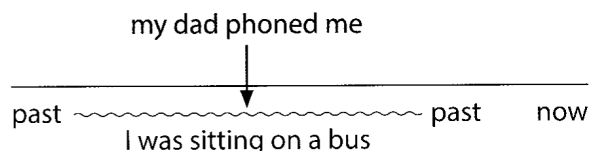
- 1 My brother never does any housework! He was playing (play) computer games
 - 2 I saw you yesterday. You _____ (cycle) to school
 - 3 Paul has a Geography test today. He _____ (study) this morning
 - 4 The teacher isn't happy with Helen. She _____ (talk)
 - 5 Amy heard our conversation! She was _____ (stand) at the window
 - 6 We met Jason last night. He _____ (come) out of the cinema
- a while I _____ (wait) for the bus.
b while he _____ (have) breakfast.
c while we _____ (go) in.
d while I was doing (do) the washing-up.
e while we _____ (do) our test.
f while you _____ (tell) me your secret!

D Past continuous and Past simple + when / while

While I **was cycling** past them, one of the boys **pushed** me.
I **was sitting** on a bus **when** my dad **phoned** me.

Note

- Si usa il **Past continuous** insieme al **Past simple** quando un'azione breve interrompe il flusso di un'altra azione di durata maggiore nel passato.
- Si usa il **Past simple** per l'azione breve e, in genere, le congiunzioni **while** o **when** per unire le due azioni.



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2 Past continuous or Past simple? Put the verbs in brackets into the correct tense.

I was reading in bed when I heard someone outside. (read/hear)

- 1 When I _____ up it _____ (wake/snow)
- 2 While we _____ in Ireland, we _____ a lot of friendly people. (travel/meet)
- 3 Luke _____ his leg while he _____ in France. (break/ski)
- 4 Aunt Katie _____ at the train station when I _____. (wait/arrive)
- 5 We _____ to the bus stop when it _____ to rain. (walk/start)
- 6 Matt _____ to the sports centre when he _____ Lauren. (go/meet)

3 Abbina ciascun complemento al verbo corrispondente.

vandalise	rob	hijack
pick	steal	kidnap

a person	<u>kidnap</u>
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- | | |
|------------------------------|-------|
| 1 a person's pocket | _____ |
| 2 a bank | _____ |
| 3 public or private property | _____ |
| 4 a plane | _____ |
| 5 a painting | _____ |

A Past continuous**Affirmative and negative****1 Correggi le frasi con le informazioni tra parentesi.**

'I was studying in the library.'

(watch/a video on YouTube)

You weren't studying in the library!

You were watching a video on YouTube.

1 'I was reading last night.' (dance/in disco)

You _____

2 'Katy was helping her mother all afternoon.'

(make/a video with her friends)

Katy _____

3 'My friends were working yesterday evening.'

(have/pizza)

Your friends _____

4 'Marco was visiting his grandparents

yesterday.' (visit/his girlfriend)

Marco _____

5 'We were using a search engine for

homework.' (play/games online)

You _____

2 Completa l'inizio della storia con la forma corretta del Past continuous dei verbi nel riquadro.

not look climb sit not help look for
talk ~~walk~~

Pete and his girlfriend, Maisy, were walking home after a concert. They were a bit lost and so Pete ¹ _____ the name of the street. Maisy ² _____ to a friend on her mobile phone about the concert, so she ³ _____ him. Then Pete saw something. A man ⁴ _____ through a window into a house. Two men ⁵ _____ in a big, black car in front of the house. Pete put out his hand to stop Maisy, but she ⁶ _____ and she fell.

B Past continuous**Interrogative and short answers****3 Metti le parole nell'ordine corretto per scrivere delle domande. Poi completa le risposte.**

you at having were 7 o'clock? dinner

Were you having dinner at 7 o'clock?

No, I wasn't.

1 dog was yesterday sleeping morning? the

Yes, _____.

2 studying afternoon? Elaine yesterday was

Yes, _____.

3 at snowing it lunchtime? was

No, _____.

4 you your instant messaging friends were night? last

Yes, _____.

5 they were listening in lesson? English the

No, _____.

6 night? 11 o'clock a watching you last DVD were at

Yes, _____.

4 Osserva le parole sottolineate. Completa il dialogo con le domande mancanti. Usa le parole interrogative corrette e il Past continuous.

Police officer When were you going down Cooper Street?

Stephanie I was going down Cooper Street at about half past seven.

Police officer ¹ _____?

Stephanie I was going to the bus stop. I was running.

Police officer ² _____?

Stephanie I was running because I was late for the bus.

Police officer ³ _____?

Stephanie There were two people waiting for the bus: a man and a woman.

Police officer ⁴ _____?

Stephanie The man was wearing jeans and a brown jacket and the woman was wearing a red dress.

Police officer ⁵ _____?

Stephanie He was shouting at the woman.

C while

5 Scrivi frasi al *Past continuous* con *while*.

Francesca/cry/we/watch/the film
Francesca was crying while we were watching the film.

- I/prepare/a salad/my dad/cook/the fish

- you/not listen/the teacher/explain

- a man/rob/the bank/some people/stand/
in front of it

- they/not help/we/tidy/up

- Tim and Rob/play/music/I/study

D Past continuous and Past simple + *when / while*

6 Completa le frasi con *when* o *while*.

We were working while you were sleeping.

- I was having a shower _____ she arrived.
- _____ you were doing your homework,
I was riding my bike.
- Were you sitting in the room _____
Thomas broke the window?
- _____ I was talking to some friends, a car
stopped near us.
- Was it snowing _____ you got to York?

7 Cerchia l'alternativa corretta.

- Where were you when David broke/
was breaking his leg? ¹Did you see/
Were you seeing the accident?
- No, I ²wasn't/didn't, but I ³was going/
went to the hospital when I ⁴was hearing/
heard the news.
- ⁵Did you speak/Were you speaking to
David?
- Yes, ⁶I did/I was. He ⁷was sitting/sat on the
bed when I ⁸arrived/was arriving. I ⁹stayed/
was staying for half an hour while his parents
¹⁰were talking/talked to the doctor.

E Adverbs of manner

Regular adverbs

8 Scrivi gli avverbi per questi aggettivi.

- | | |
|-------------|----------------|
| quick | <u>quickly</u> |
| 1 beautiful | _____ |
| 2 romantic | _____ |
| 3 noisy | _____ |
| 4 angry | _____ |
| 5 careful | _____ |
| 6 brave | _____ |
| 7 sad | _____ |
| 8 slow | _____ |

9 Scegli l'aggettivo appropriato per ogni frase. Poi completa le frasi con gli avverbi corrispondenti.

Get dressed quickly, the bus is going to leave
in ten minutes. (quick/slow)

- Shh! Come in _____, the exam has
already started. (quiet/noisy)
- The film started _____ with two murders.
(dramatic/romantic)
- That was wonderful! You play the piano
_____. (beautiful/angry)
- Please carry that bag _____, Tim.
It's got my laptop in it. (careful/brave)
- We won our last football match _____.
The result was 6-1. (easy/sad)
- My dad loves an old cartoon where a man
changes _____ into different
clothes and has adventures! (bad/magic)

Irregular adverbs

10 Completa le frasi con gli avverbi del riquadro.

early ~~fast~~ fast hard late well

Don't drive so fast, Dad. It's dangerous.

- We must get up _____ tomorrow
because we've got a long journey.
- I don't know any German, but I speak English
_____.
- If you work _____, you will pass the exam
at the end of the year.
- I've missed the bus, Mum, so I'll be home
_____.
- This train isn't going very _____,
so we won't be on time.