
PAST SIMPLE
PAST CONTINUOUS
PAST PERFECT

And when we use it.

PLAN

01. DESCRIBE EACH TENSE

To understand how to use each tense

02. HOW TO USE THEM BOTH

To understand how to combine them

03. SOME TASKS

To test how you understand this theme

01.

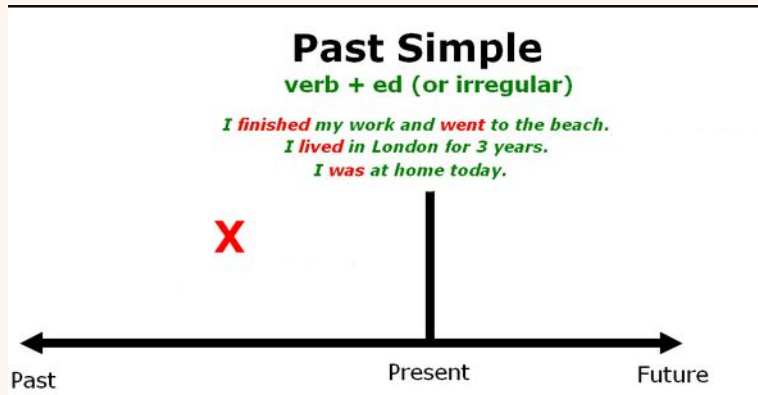
STRUCTURE OF TENSES

To understand how to use
each tense

Past Simple

Used to describe:

- 1) Completed actions at a specific point in the past
- 2) Consecutive actions in the past
- 3) Repeated actions in the past
- 4) Conditions in the past



Утвердительное предложение	Подлежащее	Основной глагол	
		правильный	неправильный
	I/You/We/They/He/She/It	глагол + окончание -ed	вторая форма глагола

Отрицательное предложение	Подлежащее	Вспомогательный глагол	Основной глагол
	I/You/We/They/He/She/It	did not = didn't	основная форма глагола

Вопросительное предложение	Вспомогательный глагол	Подлежащее	Основной глагол
	Did	I/you/we/they/he/she/it	основная форма глагола

Past Simple : examples

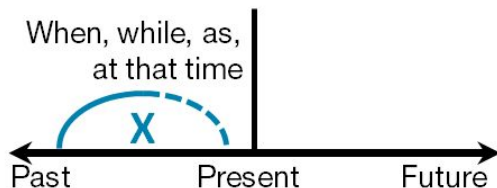
- 1) She visited her grandparents every summer when she was a child.
 - 2) He completed his homework before dinner.
 - 3) They traveled to Italy last year.
 - 4) The concert started at 8 PM and ended at 11 PM.
 - 5) I bought a new phone yesterday.
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Past Continuous

Used to describe:

- Actions in progress at specific time in the past
- Past action in progress which was interrupted by another action.
- Two actions happening at the same time (with while)
- The beginning of a story

Past Continuous Tense



(was / were) + V-ing

Утвердительное предложение	Подлежащее	Вспом. глагол	Основной глагол	
	I/You/We/They He/She/It	had = 'd	правильный	неправильный
			глагол + окончание -ed	3-я форма глагола

Отрицательное предложение	Подлежащее	Вспом. глагол	Основной глагол	
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	Had	I/you/we/they he/she/it	правильный	неправильный
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Past Continuous

Examples:

- 1) What were you doing at six o'clock last night?
 - 2) I was driving along the motorway when it started snowing
 - 3) While i was doing the housework the children were playing in the garden
 - 4) It was a cold night and it was raining. I was watching TV in the sitting room...
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Past Perfect

Used to describe:

- 1) An action that happened before another action in the past
- 2) An action that happened before a certain point in the past
- 3) The first of two consecutive actions in the past

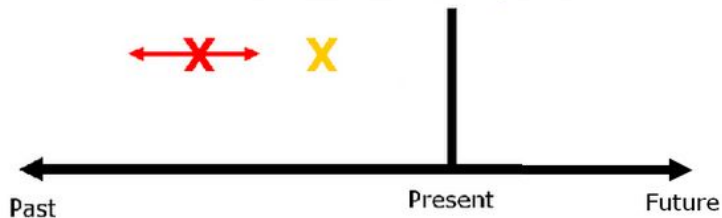
Past Perfect

had + past participle

I had never seen something like that.

I had broken up with her.

She hadn't had time to explain it.



Утвердительное предложение	Подлежащее	Вспом. гл. to be	Основной глагол
	I/He/She/It	was	основная форма глагола + окончание -ing
	You/We/They	were	

Отрицательное предложение	Подлежащее	Вспом. гл. to be + частица not	Основной глагол
	I/He/She/It	was not = wasn't	основная форма глагола + окончание -ing
	You/We/They	were not = weren't	

Вопросительное предложение	Вспом. гл. to be	Подлежащее	Основной глагол
	Was	I/he/she/it	основная форма глагола + окончание -ing
	Were	you/we/they	

Past Perfect: examples

- 1) By the time she arrived at the party, he had already left.
- 2) They had finished dinner before the guests arrived
- 3) I realized i had forgotten my keys after i had left the house
- 4) She had studied French for three years before she moved to French.
- 5) By the time he woke up, she had already made breakfast.

02.

How to use they both

To understand how to
combine them

Example and explanation

- Use the **past continuous** to set the scene
- Use the **past simple** to say what happened
- Use the **past perfect** to say what happened before the previous past action

It was a cold night and it **was raining**. I **was watching TV** in the sitting room. Suddenly I **heard** a knock at the door. I **got up** and **opened** the door. But there **was** nobody there. The person who **had knocked** on the door **had disappeared**.

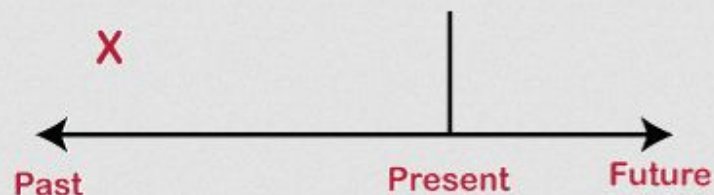
Past Simple

verb+ed (or irregular)

I **finished** my work and went to the beach.

I **lived** in London for 3 years.

I **was** at home today



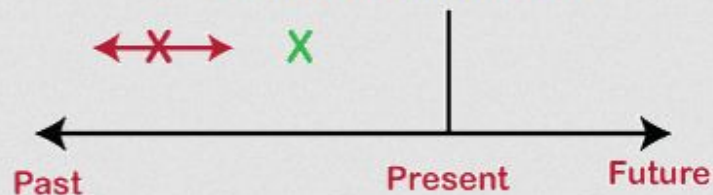
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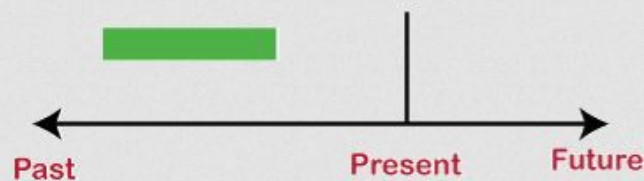
Past Continuous

was/were + ing form

I **was** doing my homework.

I **was** not doing homework.

Was I **doing** my homework?



03.

TASKS

To understand how to use
each tense

Complete the blanks

- 1) She ____ (study) French when she was in high school
 - 2) When i called her, she _____ (cook) dinner
 - 3) By the time we arrived, they ____ (finish) eating
 - 4) They were tired because they _____(work) all day.
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Find mistakes

- 1) What you had done at six o'clock last night?
 - 2) They were marrying last year.
 - 3) When they turned on the TV, the match was already finishing
 - 4) It was a cold night and it was raining. I had watched TV in the sitting room...
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THANKS!
