





Class: 3rd grade

Lesson: Simple Past & Past Continuous

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#### **Stative Verbs**

## Being or existence

Be Consist of Contain Exist

#### Senses

See
Touch
Taste
Smell
Sound

### Possession

Have
Own
Belong to
Include
Lack
Possess

## Feeling

Adore
Desire
Like
Hate
Love
Need
Envy
Prefer

## **Thoughts**

Believe
Think
Feel
Doubt
Know
Realize
Understand
Suppose

#### **Other Verbs**

Measure Cost Fit Mean Weigh Depend Deserve Matter

Concern





## 1. Write complete sentences. Use the Present Continuous.

**a.** (We / leave / the country / right now)

**b.** (Technology / change / all the time these days)

**c.** (More people / study / online these days)





**d.** (Prices / currently / go / up all the time)

**e.** (The sea /get / dirtier / this year)





2. Mary is in the computer room at college. Complete her conversation with Peter. Put in a Present Continuous form of the verb.

| Peter: what             | (you / do)                         |                         |
|-------------------------|------------------------------------|-------------------------|
| Mary:                   | (I / write) a letter to my cousing | in. He's a disc jockey. |
| Rachel and I            | (try) to organize a disc           | co.                     |
| Peter: That sounds like | a lot of work. How                 | (you / find) time       |
| for your studies?       |                                    |                         |





| Mary: As I said, Rachel     | (help) me  |
|-----------------------------|--|
| (we / get) on all right     | (we / not / spend) too much time on                      |
| it                          | _ (it / not / take) me away from my studies, don't worry |
| about that. Oh, sorry,      | (you / wait) for this computer?                          |
| Peter: Yes, but there is no | hurry.   |
| Mary:                       | (I / correct) the last bit of the letter. I've nearly    |
| finished.                   |  |





3. Complete this newspaper report. Write the verbs in brackets in the correct form, present simple or present continuous.

| It's summer. A m     | an is out for a     | quiet walk. I  | He's wall | king alon   | g a country  | road a   | nd he  |
|----------------------|---------------------|----------------|-----------|-------------|--------------|----------|--------|
| (1)                  | ( <b>mind</b> ) his | own busine     | ss when   | he is hu    | rt and serio | ously in | ijured |
| by a minivan.        | The man, a          | writer of      | horror    | fiction,    | survives     | but h    | e (2)  |
|                      | (become)            | obsessed wi    | th the va | an that m   | aimed hin    | n. He d  | oesn't |
| hold a grudge ag     | ainst the drive     | r. Instead, he | e (3)     |             | (buy)        | the mi   | nivan  |
| and (4)              | (hid                | le) it. This s | sounds li | ike the st  | ory of a S   | tephen   | King   |
| thriller, but it is, | in fact, the last   | chapter in t   | he write  | r's real li | fe. King ha  | as boug  | ht the |
| vehicle and he       | intends to ta       | ke a hamn      | ner to i  | it. At pı   | resent, the  | autho    | or (5) |





|              |             | (recover)      | from      | his    | wounds            | at   | home,     | where      | he     | <b>(6)</b> |
|--------------|-------------|----------------|-----------|--------|-------------------|------|-----------|------------|--------|------------|
|              | (su         | ıffer from)    | a broke   | en hip | o, a fractui      | ed 1 | leg, and  | a collaps  | sed lu | ıng.       |
| The story is | s strangely | y like the plo | ot of his | s nov  | el <i>Thinner</i> | , in | which th  | e victim   | 's far | nily       |
| (7)          |             | (put) a cur    | se on t   | he dr  | iver. King        | , ho | wever, c  | lemands    | only   | the        |
| withdrawal   | of the dri  | ver's license  | e. As fo  | r the  | minivan,          | we ( | (8)       |            | (      | (not       |
| know) if K   | ing will ca | arry out his i | evenge    | or if  | he is simp        | ly h | atching t | the plot f | for a  | new        |
| novel.       |             |                |           |        |                   |      |           |            |        |            |





- 4. Use the words in brackets () to complete the dialogues. Use the Present Continuous or the Present Simple.
- **a. Amy:** Is the swimming pool open today?

**Charlotte:** (No, they / get / things ready for the next competition.)

**Amy:** (How often / they / have / these competitions?)

**Charlotte:** About three times a year.

**b.** Charles: (Why / that machine / not work / at the moment?)





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Billy: (I don't know, but a mechanic / mend / it.)

**Charles:** (What / the machine / do?) (it / make / boxes?)

**Billy:** (Yes, it / make / boxes / of all sizes.)

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**c.** Clare: (Look! / The Martins / work / in their garden.)





| Daniel: | (They / | not / | usually | 1/ | work / | on | Sundays | .) |
|---------|---------|-------|---------|----|--------|----|---------|----|
|---------|---------|-------|---------|----|--------|----|---------|----|

Let's have a word with them. Hello, Casey. Hello, William. (you / get / ready / for the winter?)

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William: (Yes, we / tidy / up the leaves.)

(We / always / try / to do it before the winter / come.)





| Jamie: (Michael, what / you / look / for?)                      |
|---|
| Michael: (I / look / for Jean's glasses.)                       |
| (She / not / often / wear / them.)                              |
| (She / only / wear / them to read, so she often / lose / them.) |





## **The Simple Past**

### We Use the Simple Past to:

> talk about a finished action in the past.

e.g.: The van *crashed* into the car.





## **Time Expressions Used with the Simple Past:**

- In the past
- Yesterday
- Last week/month/year/century
- In + (year)
- Two years ago / Three months ago, etc.
- On + (day) / Last + (day)





## **Simple Past Forms (To Be)**

| Subject<br>Pronouns  | Affirmative | Negative | Interrogative (Yes/No<br>questions and short<br>answers) |
|----------------------|-------------|----------|--|
| I / He / She<br>/ It | absent.     | absent.  | absent?<br>Yes, ✓<br>No, ×                               |
| You / We /<br>They   | absent.     | absent.  | absent? Yes,  No,  X                                     |





## **Simple Past Forms (Verbs)**

| Regular Past Forms   | Irregular Past Forms |
|--|----------------------|
| • Most verbs end in -ed:   |                      |
| book → book <mark>ed</mark>  |                      |
| • Verbs ending in -e, we add -d:   |                      |
| smil <mark>e →</mark> smile <mark>d</mark>                                 |                      |
| • Verbs ending in a <i>consonant</i> + -y, we change the -y to -ied:       |                      |
| tr <b>y →</b> tr <mark>ied</mark>  |                      |
| <ul> <li>One-syllable verbs ending with a vowel + consonant, we</li> </ul> |                      |
| double the final consonant:  |                      |
| stop → stopped BUT No doubling of consonants when there                    |                      |
| are two vowels <b>e.g.:</b> seem → seemed                                  |                      |
|  |                      |





## **Irregular Verbs**

| Base Form | Simple Past |
|-----------|-------------|
| Become    |             |
| Buy       |             |
| Cost      |             |
| Dream     |             |
| Feed      |             |
| Grow      |             |
| Hurt      |             |
| Know      |             |
| Lend      |             |
| Mean      |             |
| Read      |             |
| Shoot     |             |

| Base Form | Simple Past |
|-----------|-------------|
| Sleep     |             |
| Wake      |             |
| Teach     |             |
| Fly       |             |
| Lead      |             |
| Break     |             |
| Freeze    |             |
| Hide      |             |
| Wear      |             |
| Spend     |             |
| Stick     |             |
| Cut       |             |





## **Simple Past Forms (Verbs)**

| Verbs      | Subject<br>pronouns                       | Affirmative             | Negative                | Interrogative (Yes/No questions and short answers) |
|------------|---|-------------------------|-------------------------|--|
| To<br>play | I / You / We<br>/ They / He /<br>She / It | basketball last week.   | basketball last week.   | basketball last week? Yes, ✓ No, ×                 |
| To<br>send | I / You / We<br>/ They / He /<br>She / It | an e-mail to my friend. | an e-mail to my friend. | an e-mail to my friend? Yes,  No,  X               |





# 1. Complete the newspaper story about a fire. Put in the Past Simple forms of the verbs.

| Three people        | (die) in a fire in the city center            | er last night. They             |
|---------------------|---|---------------------------------|
| (t                  | be) James, Julia and Amy Harrington, a marrie | ed couple and their             |
| daughter. The fire  | (start) at 3:20 a.m. One of                   | the neighbors, Mr.              |
| Patrick,            | (see) the flames and                          | (call) the fire                 |
| brigade. He also    | (try) to get into the house and               | l save his neighbors.           |
| but the heat        | (be) too great. The fire brigad               | le                              |
| (arrive) in a few m | ninutes. Around fifteen firemen               | _ ( <b>fight</b> ) the fire and |
| finally             | (bring) it under control. Three fireme        | n                               |
| (enter) the burning | g building but they sadly(fir                 | nd) the family dead.            |





# 2. Complete the conversation. Put in the Past Simple negatives and questions.

| Pam:                        | (you / have) a nice weekend in Istanbul? |                     |  |
|-----------------------------|--|---------------------|--|
|                             | great. We looked around and then w       |                     |  |
|                             | (we / not / try) to do too much.         |                     |  |
| Pam: what sights            | (you / see)?                             |                     |  |
| Tom: We visited the Hagi    | ia Sophia mosque                         | (I /                |  |
| not / know) it was that bro | eathtaking.                              |                     |  |
| Pam: And what show          | (you / go) to?                           |                     |  |
| Tom: Oh, a dance show. I    | forgot the name. I                       | (I / not /          |  |
| like) it.                   |  |                     |  |
| Pam: Oh, dear. And          | (Sarah / enjoy) :                        | it?                 |  |
| Tom: No, not really. But    | we enjoyed the weekend. Sarah did s      | some shopping, too, |  |
| but                         | (I / not / want) to go shopp             | ing.                |  |





#### **The Past Continuous**

#### We use the Past Continuous to talk about:

> an ongoing action at a specified time.

e.g.: By the age of nine, I was training to be a ninja.

> a past action that gets interrupted.

**e.g.:** My parents arrived while I was shopping.





Stressing how much time a past action took.

e.g.: She was gardening all morning.







## **Time Expressions Used with the Past Continuous:**

- When
- While / As
- All night/day/evening/morning/week/month/year





### The Past Continuous Form (To swim)

## To Be (Simple Past) + Verb(ing)

| Subject          | Affirmative     | Negative        | Interrogative   |
|------------------|-----------------|-----------------|-----------------|
| Pronouns         |                 |                 |                 |
| I / He /She / It |                 |                 |                 |
|                  | in the swimming | in the swimming | in the swimming |
|                  | pool.           | pool.           | pool?           |
| You / We /       |                 |                 |                 |
| They             | in the swimming | in the swimming | in the swimming |
| -                | pool.           | pool.           | pool?           |





## 1. Complete the conversation. Put in the Past Continuous forms.

| Britney:                           | (I / look) for you, Casey. I'm afraid I've broken   |
|------------------------------------|---|
| this glass.                        |   |
| Casey: Oh no! What                 | (you / do)?   |
| Britney:                           | (I / take) it to the kitchen. I accidentally bumped |
| into Jack.                         | (he / come) out just as                             |
| (I / go) in.                       |   |
| Casey: I expect it was your fault. | (you / not / look) where                            |
| (you / go)                         | •   |
| Britney: I apologize. I'll buy you | another glass as soon as possible.                  |





# 2. complete the sentences with suitable verbs from the box. Use the past simple or past continuous.

blow - collapse - cook - feel - have - hit - live - press - see - set off - settle down - spend - stand

- I \_\_\_\_\_ at the bus stop when I \_\_\_\_ the speeding car slam into the lamp post.
- The icy wind \_\_\_\_\_ through the trees as we \_\_\_\_\_ on our journey into the forest.





| - | Brad   | exhauste       | ed so    | he          |              | onto the    | sofa,  |
|---|--|----------------|----------|-------------|--------------|-------------|--------|
|   |  | the button of  | on the r | emote contr | ol and       |             |        |
|   | for an evening vegetating in front of the box. |                |          |             |              |             |        |
| - | The twins                                      |                | the      | afternoon   | shopping     | because     | they   |
|   |  | for their roor | nmates   | all evening |              |             |        |
| - | Unfortunately                                  | for us, we     |          |             | on the wrong | g side of N | ⁄Iiami |
|   | when Hurrica                                   | ne Andrew      |          | tl          | ne city.     |             |        |





# 3. Complete the paragraph with the suitable tense. Use the Simple Past or the Past Continuous.

| Yesterday, as I  | (walk) home                         | from work, I                       |
|------------------|-------------------------------------|------------------------------------|
| (see) a group of | children playing in the park. They  | (have) a great                     |
| time. As I       | (continue) my wall                  | k, the weather                     |
| (change) rapid   | ly. Suddenly, it                    | _ (start) raining heavily, so I    |
|                  | (take) shelter under a nearby tre   | ee. While I                        |
| (wait) for the   | rain to stop, I                     | (pull out) my phone and            |
|                  | (check) the weather forecast. It ha | ad predicted rain for the evening, |
| so I             | (decide) to wait it out and enj     | oy the refreshing rainfall.        |





















