



Exercise 21

Past Tense

Name _____

Date _____

Fill in the spaces with the correct form of the verb in past progressive tense, then indicate *affirmative* (+) or *negative* (-).

Note: The previous exercises used the past progressive tense in the affirmative. Some of the sentences in this exercise use it in the negative.

Example: I (shop) was shopping for the perfect gift. (+) (-)

Example: Joe and Jeremy were not riding motorcycles to work until yesterday. (+) (-)

- 1) Josh (learn) _____ to drive the van. (+) (-)
- 2) Our neighbor (not, mow) _____ his grass very often. It looked terrible. (+) (-)
- 3) The witness (not, hide) _____ any evidence. (+) (-)
- 4) Holly and Gina (take) _____ care of the puppy while we were away. (+) (-)
- 5) The zookeeper (feed) _____ the ocelots earlier today. (+) (-)
- 6) The cafeteria (not, serve) _____ ice cream yesterday. (+) (-)
- 7) The soloist (sing) _____ an aria a minute ago. (+) (-)
- 8) The girls (not, listen) _____ to the teacher's directions. (+) (-)
- 9) Warren (not, surf) _____ Saturday; the ocean was calm. (+) (-)
- 10) Lori and I (run) _____ at the track every day last week. (+) (-)

