

I **rode** my bike yesterday
in the morning.



PAST SIMPLE VS PAST CONTINUOUS



We **were camping**, when it started
raining.



Verbs (Regular & Irregular)

REGULAR VERBS	IRREGULAR VERBS
E.g.	E.g.

Think about some verbs you can use when you are talking
about NATURE.

Past Simple vs Past Continuous

Differences

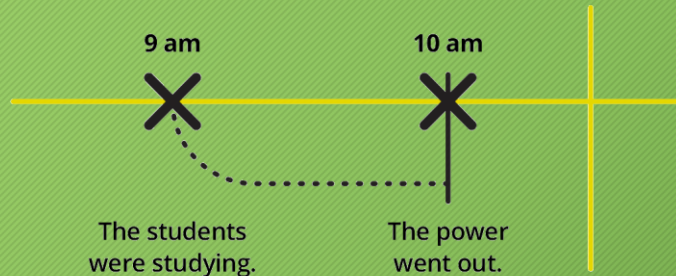
PAST SIMPLE

- Activities finished in the past (Usually including a time frame).

Example:

- You **went** to the mountains last weekend.
- They **found** a river in the forest yesterday.

The students were studying
when the power went out.



PAST
CONTINUOUS

PAST SIMPLE

PAST CONTINUOUS

- Activities started and finished in the past. Emphasizing duration.

Example:

- She **was travelling** all night long.
- You **were looking for** your earring all morning.

- Ongoing actions in the past, interrupted by a sudden event.

Example:

- It **was eating**, when the other dog arrived and stole its food.
- We **were hiking** when it snowed, so we had to come back home.

Past Simple vs Past Continuous

Affirmative
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	<p>PAST SIMPLE [Affirmative]</p> <p>S + verb past form + C</p> <p>Structure</p> <p>I You + rode + a mountain bike last month.</p> <p>He She + rode + a mountain bike last month.</p> <p>It We You + rode + a mountain bike last month.</p> <p>They</p>	<p>PAST CONTINUOUS [Affirmative]</p> <p>S + verb to be (was/were) + verb -ing + C</p> <p>Structure</p> <p>I You + was/were + hiding + from the rain.</p> <p>He She + was + hiding + from the rain.</p> <p>It We You + were + hiding + from the rain.</p> <p>They</p>
E.g.	<p>I hiked for a couple of hours. She threw the ball in the last minute. The flowers bloomed in spring.</p>	<p>I was hiking when my mom called me. She was throwing the ball when the game finished. The flowers were blooming when summer started.</p>
Your example		Your example

Past Simple vs Past Continuous

Negative
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PAST SIMPLE [Negative]

S + did not + verb simple form + C

I
You + didn't + ride a mountain bike last month.
He
She + didn't + ride a mountain bike last month.
It
We
You + didn't + ride a mountain bike last month.
They

Structure

E.g.

I **didn't hike** for a couple of hours.
She **didn't throw** the ball in the last minute.
The flowers **didn't bloom** in spring.

Your
example

PAST CONTINUOUS [Negative]

S + verb to be (was/were) + not + verb -ing + C

I wasn't
You + weren't + **hiding** + from the rain.
He
She + wasn't + **hiding** + from the rain.
It
We
You + weren't + **hiding** + from the rain.
They

Structure

E.g.

I **wasn't hiking** when my mom called me.
She **wasn't throwing** the ball when the game finished.
The flowers **weren't blooming** when summer started.

Your
example

Past Simple vs Past Continuous

Interrogative
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Structure

PAST SIMPLE [Interrogative]

Did + S + verb simple form + C ?

I
 + you + ride + a mountain bike last month ?
 he
 Did + she + ride + a mountain bike last month ?
 it
 we
 + you + ride + a mountain bike last month ?
 they

E.g.

Did I **hike** for a couple of hours?
 Did she **throw** the ball in the last minute?
 Did the flowers **bloom** in spring?

Your
example

Structure

PAST CONTINUOUS [Interrogative]

Verb to be (Was / Were) + S + verb -ing + C ?

Was I
 Were + you + **hiding** + from the rain ?
 he
 Was + she + **hiding** + from the rain ?
 it
 we
 Were + you + **hiding** + from the rain ?
 they

E.g.

Was I **hiking** when my mom called me?
 Was she **throwing** the ball when the game finished?
 Were the flowers **blooming** when summer started?

Your
example

Past Simple

Structure	Past Simple [Affirmative]	Past Simple [Negative]	Past Simple [Interrogative]
Sentence 1			
Sentence 2			

Exercise 1a: Complete the chart.

Past Continuous

Structure	Past Continuous [Affirmative]	Past Continuous [Negative]	Past Continuous [Interrogative]
Sentence 1			
Sentence 2			

Exercise 1b: Complete the chart.

Past Simple vs Past Continuous

	[Affirmative]	[Negative]	[Interrogative]
Past Simple	1. She hiked last year with her friends. 2. 3. They jumped fast to arrive in first place.	1. 2. 3.	1. 2. Did he plant some trees in their garden? 3.
Past Continuous	1. 2. I was camping when my sister arrived at the park. 3.	1. 2. 3. You weren't burning the garbage.	1. Was the tree growing in summer? 2. 3.

Exercise 2: Change the following sentences into Past Simple or Past Continuous (Affirmative, Negative or Interrogative).

Past Simple vs Past Continuous

I _____ **(give)** a speech in front of my family yesterday. I _____ **(be)** very nervous, and I _____ **(sweat)** a lot. Everyone _____ **(pay)** attention. Even my dad _____ **(be)** excited! He _____ **(listen)** carefully to my words and _____ **(turn)** off the TV. I _____ **(tell)** them I _____ **(get)** a scholarship for University abroad, so they _____ **(be)** joyful. Some members of my family _____ **(cry)**. One cousin _____ **(wish)** me the best luck when my mom _____ **(tell)** me some lovely words. Other cousins _____ **(start)** hugging me. I _____ **(be)** so moved that I _____ **(start)** crying too – I felt very happy. I _____ **(enjoy)** that family reunion, and I hope to see my family together soon.

Exercise 3: Complete the story with the correct verb form.

Structure	PAST SIMPLE [Affirmative]	Structure	PAST CONTINUOUS [Affirmative]
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We You They	+ rode + a mountain bike last month.	We You They	+ were + hiding + from the rain.
E.g.	I hiked for a couple of hours. She threw the ball in the last minute. The flowers bloomed in spring.	E.g.	I was hiking when my mom called me. She was throwing the ball when the game finished. The flowers were blooming when summer started.

Past Simple vs Past Continuous (SUMMARY)

Structure	PAST SIMPLE [Negative]	Structure	PAST CONTINUOUS [Negative]
	S + did not + verb simple form + C		S + verb to be (was/were) + not + verb -ing + C
I You He She It	+ didn't ride + a mountain bike last month.	I You He She It	+ ^{wasn't} weren't + hiding + from the rain.
We You They	+ didn't ride + a mountain bike last month.	We You They	+ weren't + hiding + from the rain.
E.g.	I didn't hike for a couple of hours. She didn't throw the ball in the last minute. The flowers didn't bloom in spring.	E.g.	I wasn't hiking when my mom called me. She wasn't throwing the ball when the game finished. The flowers weren't blooming when summer started.

Structure	PAST SIMPLE [Interrogative]	Structure	PAST CONTINUOUS [Interrogative]
	Did + S + verb simple form + C ?		Verb to be (Was / Were) + S + verb -ing + C ?
Did	+ You + ride + a mountain bike last month ? + She + ride + a mountain bike last month ? + We + ride + a mountain bike last month ?	Was Were	+ I + hiding + from the rain ? + He + hiding + from the rain ? + We + hiding + from the rain ?
E.g.	Did I hike for a couple of hours? Did she throw the ball in the last minute? Did the flowers bloom in spring?	E.g.	Was I hiking when my mom called me? Was she throwing the ball when the game finished? Were the flowers blooming when summer started?

THANKS!

