Pasado continuo: formación y uso

Acciones en marcha cuando ocurrió algo

El pasado continuo cuenta una acción que ya estaba en marcha cuando ocurrió otra cosa: I was reading when the phone rang. Leer había empezado antes de sonar el teléfono. Usa was con I, he, she e it; were con you, we y they, y añade el verbo con ing. Usa el verbo principal de la primera frase. La otra acción ya está escrita en pasado simple. Aquí usamos la ortografía americana.

Ejemplo resuelto
I read at night. I ____ when the phone rang. → I read at night. I was reading when the phone rang.
Leo por la noche. Estaba leyendo cuando sonó el teléfono.

Usa el verbo principal de la primera frase. Completa la acción en marcha con el pasado continuo.

01. They drink tea after lunch. They _____ tea when Grandma called.

02. I ride my bike. I _____ through the park when I saw Mia.

03. Mia writes at her desk. She _____ when Dad knocked.

04. We talk after class. We _____ when the teacher came back.

05. We cook together. We _____ dinner when the lights went out.

06. It rains in winter. It _____ when we left the museum.

07. Dad washes the car. He _____ it when our neighbor arrived.

08. We help at the school fair. We _____ when the first guests arrived.

09. Mom makes bread. She _____ a loaf when the power went out.

10. Dad fixes toys. He _____ a toy car when I arrived.

11. Anna studies in the library. She _____ when the fire alarm rang.

12. We carry boxes upstairs. We _____ one when it broke.

13. They travel by train. They _____ to Boston when the train stopped.

14. Ben sits by the window. He _____ there when I saw him.

15. Mia practices after school. She _____ when the doorbell rang.

16. They shop at the market. They _____ when the fire alarm sounded.

17. Mom drives to work. She _____ when a deer crossed the road.

18. We watch movies at home. We _____ a comedy when you called.

19. The dog lies in the hall. It _____ by the door when I got home.

20. I listen to the radio. I _____ when they announced the news.

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Continuación: ejercicios 21-40. Usa el verbo principal de la primera frase. Completa la acción en marcha con el pasado continuo.

21. They play tennis. They _____ when the ball hit the fence.

22. We eat lunch outside. We _____ when it started to rain.

23. You clean your room. You _____ it when I came in.

24. The boys build models. They _____ a bridge when I came in.

25. Dad works at the cafe. He _____ when I arrived.

26. I swim at the pool. I _____ when the lifeguard blew his whistle.

27. You take photos. You _____ one when the bird flew away.

28. Grandma bakes on Sundays. She _____ when the oven stopped working.

29. Ben runs in the park. He _____ when it began to rain.

30. We plan our weekends together. We _____ a trip when Mom called.

31. The baby sleeps after lunch. She _____ when the doorbell rang.

32. We walk to school. We _____ past the bakery when Ben joined us.

33. They dance after dinner. They _____ when the band stopped.

34. I look for shells. I _____ for them when I found a coin.

35. Nora draws animals. She _____ a fox when I saw her.

36. I read before bed. I _____ when the phone rang.

37. We wait at the bus stop. We _____ when the bus arrived.

38. The girls paint in art class. They _____ when the bell rang.

39. The children sing at school. They _____ when we opened the door.

40. You use my laptop. You _____ it when the screen went black.

Soluciones

Frases con el hueco completado. La respuesta aparece en negrita.

01. They **were drinking** tea when Grandma called.
02. I **was riding** through the park when I saw Mia.
03. She **was writing** when Dad knocked.
04. We **were talking** when the teacher came back.
05. We **were cooking** dinner when the lights went out.
06. It **was raining** when we left the museum.
07. He **was washing** it when our neighbor arrived.
08. We **were helping** when the first guests arrived.
09. She **was making** a loaf when the power went out.
10. He **was fixing** a toy car when I arrived.
11. She **was studying** when the fire alarm rang.
12. We **were carrying** one when it broke.
13. They **were traveling** to Boston when the train stopped.
14. He **was sitting** there when I saw him.
15. She **was practicing** when the doorbell rang.
16. They **were shopping** when the fire alarm sounded.
17. She **was driving** when a deer crossed the road.
18. We **were watching** a comedy when you called.
19. It **was lying** by the door when I got home.
20. I **was listening** when they announced the news.
21. They **were playing** when the ball hit the fence.
22. We **were eating** when it started to rain.
23. You **were cleaning** it when I came in.
24. They **were building** a bridge when I came in.
25. He **was working** when I arrived.
26. I **was swimming** when the lifeguard blew his whistle.
27. You **were taking** one when the bird flew away.
28. She **was baking** when the oven stopped working.
29. He **was running** when it began to rain.
30. We **were planning** a trip when Mom called.
31. She **was sleeping** when the doorbell rang.
32. We **were walking** past the bakery when Ben joined us.
33. They **were dancing** when the band stopped.
34. I **was looking** for them when I found a coin.
35. She **was drawing** a fox when I saw her.
36. I **was reading** when the phone rang.
37. We **were waiting** when the bus arrived.
38. They **were painting** when the bell rang.
39. They **were singing** when we opened the door.
40. You **were using** it when the screen went black.