Pasado simple o pasado continuo

La acción que ya había empezado

En I was reading when you called, leer había empezado antes de tu llamada. Para esa acción en marcha usamos was o were + verbo con ing. I, he, she e it llevan was; you, we y they llevan were. Usa el verbo principal de la primera frase. Recuerda make → making, run → running, lie → lying y study → studying. La otra parte ya cuenta el hecho ocurrido en pasado simple. Completa solo la acción en marcha.

Ejemplo resuelto

I cut bread. I ____ a loaf when you called. → I cut bread. I was cutting a loaf when you called.

Corto pan. Estaba cortando una hogaza cuando llamaste.

Usa el verbo principal de la primera frase. Escribe su pasado continuo.

01. The girls skate at the rink. They _____ when the lights went out.

02. The driver turns the wheel slowly. He _____ it when I heard a noise.

03. The cat stretches after sleeping. It _____ when I took a photo.

04. Leo paints houses. He _____ ours when the rain started.

05. You water the flowers. You _____ them when the hose broke.

06. The nurse checks our blood pressure. She _____ mine when the doctor came in.

07. They repair watches. They _____ mine when I called.

08. I wait at the gate. I _____ there when the taxi arrived.

09. The students copy notes. They _____ the timetable when the bell rang.

10. The dog digs holes. It _____ one when we called it.

11. Emma wraps presents. She _____ one when the tape ran out.

12. We climb hills. We _____ one when the fog came in.

13. Mom fries fish. She _____ some when the power went out.

14. They rest under the trees. They _____ there when the storm began.

15. You push your bike uphill. You _____ it when Dad offered to help.

16. They move furniture. They _____ a table when a leg broke.

17. You build model airplanes. You _____ one when I came in.

18. Ben loads the van. He _____ it when the driver arrived.

19. I peel apples. I _____ one when the phone rang.

20. The baby sleeps in her crib. She _____ when the dog barked.

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Continuación: ejercicios 21-40. Usa el verbo principal de la primera frase. Escribe su pasado continuo.

21. I cut vegetables. I _____ a carrot when Mom called.

22. You throw bread to the ducks. You _____ some when Dad arrived.

23. We feed the hens. We _____ them when the gate opened.

24. I hang pictures on the wall. I _____ one when the nail bent.

25. We make sandwiches. We _____ some when the guests arrived.

26. Ben fixes bicycles. He _____ one when I arrived.

27. We collect stamps. We _____ them when Grandpa offered us his album.

28. Anna sews clothes. She _____ a skirt when the needle broke.

29. I sweep the kitchen. I _____ it when the cat came in.

30. Mia brushes her teeth. She _____ them when the doorbell rang.

31. You kick a ball in the yard. You _____ it when I saw you.

32. Nora counts our tickets. She _____ them when the train arrived.

33. Dad shaves each morning. He _____ when the phone rang.

34. They pack boxes. They _____ one when the tape ran out.

35. My sister tries on shoes. She _____ on a pair when the store closed.

36. I search old records. I _____ them when I found your address.

37. We mix ingredients. We _____ flour and butter when you arrived.

38. They cheer for our team. They _____ when I walked in.

39. You hold my bag. You _____ it when the handle broke.

40. We cross the river by boat. We _____ it when the rain began.

Soluciones

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

01. They **were skating** when the lights went out.
02. He **was turning** it when I heard a noise.
03. It **was stretching** when I took a photo.
04. He **was painting** ours when the rain started.
05. You **were watering** them when the hose broke.
06. She **was checking** mine when the doctor came in.
07. They **were repairing** mine when I called.
08. I **was waiting** there when the taxi arrived.
09. They **were copying** the timetable when the bell rang.
10. It **was digging** one when we called it.
11. She **was wrapping** one when the tape ran out.
12. We **were climbing** one when the fog came in.
13. She **was frying** some when the power went out.
14. They **were resting** there when the storm began.
15. You **were pushing** it when Dad offered to help.
16. They **were moving** a table when a leg broke.
17. You **were building** one when I came in.
18. He **was loading** it when the driver arrived.
19. I **was peeling** one when the phone rang.
20. She **was sleeping** when the dog barked.
21. I **was cutting** a carrot when Mom called.
22. You **were throwing** some when Dad arrived.
23. We **were feeding** them when the gate opened.
24. I **was hanging** one when the nail bent.
25. We **were making** some when the guests arrived.
26. He **was fixing** one when I arrived.
27. We **were collecting** them when Grandpa offered us his album.
28. She **was sewing** a skirt when the needle broke.
29. I **was sweeping** it when the cat came in.
30. She **was brushing** them when the doorbell rang.
31. You **were kicking** it when I saw you.
32. She **was counting** them when the train arrived.
33. He **was shaving** when the phone rang.
34. They **were packing** one when the tape ran out.
35. She **was trying** on a pair when the store closed.
36. I **was searching** them when I found your address.
37. We **were mixing** flour and butter when you arrived.
38. They **were cheering** when I walked in.
39. You **were holding** it when the handle broke.
40. We **were crossing** it when the rain began.