Past continuous or past perfect continuous

Past continuous: was o were

Para contar lo que estaba ocurriendo en un momento pasado usamos was o were + verbo en -ing. Con I, he, she e it usamos was; con you, we y they, were. You siempre lleva were. El verbo en -ing ya está escrito: falta solo was o were. Esta forma describe la actividad en aquel momento, no cuánto tiempo llevaba ocurriendo.

Ejemplo resuelto

We ____ crossing the street when the bus passed. → We were crossing the street when the bus passed.

Estábamos cruzando la calle cuando pasó el autobús.

Completa el auxiliar del past continuous con was o were.

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02. You _____ carrying a large box when we met.

03. The guests _____ taking off their coats when dinner was announced.

04. I _____ sorting the laundry when you knocked.

05. Anna _____ drawing a horse when the teacher walked past.

06. My sisters _____ decorating the tree when I arrived.

07. Your friends _____ rehearsing when the director arrived.

08. She _____ watering the roses when her phone rang.

09. She _____ checking the map when we stopped.

10. The children _____ digging in the sand when I saw them.

11. You and I _____ waiting at the crossing when the bus passed.

12. It _____ snowing when the first train arrived.

13. The cook _____ peeling potatoes when lunch was ordered.

14. Mom _____ measuring the window when Dad came in.

15. The teacher _____ writing on the board when I entered.

16. We _____ planting beans when the rain began.

17. We _____ comparing prices when the clerk came over.

18. They _____ hanging the curtains when I visited.

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Continuación: ejercicios 21-40. Completa el auxiliar del past continuous con was o were.

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22. The students _____ copying the date when class began.

23. He _____ listening to a podcast when I spoke to him.

24. The neighbors _____ clearing the path when we saw them.

25. You and Ben _____ mending the fence when Dad arrived.

26. The dog _____ sleeping by the fire when I got home.

27. Dad _____ changing a tire when I called him.

28. My parents _____ packing the car when I came outside.

29. The boys _____ rolling snowballs when it got dark.

30. You _____ practicing the violin when the phone rang.

31. The baby _____ waving at me when I took the photo.

32. Tom _____ brushing his teeth when the lights went out.

33. Grandma _____ wrapping a gift when I walked in.

34. My uncle _____ polishing his shoes when the taxi came.

35. You _____ reading the menu when the waiter approached.

36. I _____ mixing the batter when the oven beeped.

37. The bus _____ turning left when the car stopped.

38. The cat _____ chasing a leaf when the rain started.

39. We _____ playing a board game when Mom called us.

40. He _____ feeding the hens when the gate blew shut.

Soluciones

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

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