

Past Progressive

PAST PROGRESSIVE				الماضي المستمر
Form: WAS/WERE + verb -ing (I/he/she/it was doing; we/you/they were doing).				يتكون الفعل في زمن الماضي المستمر من was / were ثم نضيف للفعل -ing
Meaning: 1. The action (past progressive) was going on in the past when another action (simple past) happened. 2. The action was going on at a specific point of time in the past.				المعنى : 1- الحدث (الفعل) في زمن الماضي المستمر كان مستمرا عندما قاطعه حدث (فعل) آخر . 2- الحدث كان مستمرا في وقت معين في الماضي.
Adverbs of time: when; while; at five o'clock yesterday; at that moment; at that time.				كلمات تستخدم مع الماضي المستمر while بينما when عندما as بينما at 5 yesterday عند الساعة الخامسة بالأمس at that moment في تلك اللحظة at that time في ذلك الوقت
Form				التكوين
While				يأتي الفعل في زمن الماضي المستمر مرتبطا مع فعل في زمن الماضي البسيط و للربط نستخدم while / when / as يأتي الفعل بعد while / as في زمن الماضي المستمر و الفعل الآخر في زمن الماضي البسيط يأتي الفعل بعد when في زمن الماضي البسيط و الفعل الآخر في زمن الماضي المستمر
As	was / were	verb-ing ,	verb 2	
When	verb 2	,	was / were + verb-ing	
I was reading a letter when Tom came in.				يمكن أن تأتي أدوات الربط في منتصف الجملة و لكن بدون أي تغيير على القاعدة.
When Tom came in, I was reading a letter.				
The telephone rang while she was taking a bath.				
While she was taking a bath, the telephone rang.				
When I called, Lena was doing her homework and Nina was reading a book.				
It was raining when I woke up.				

The past progressive expresses an action that was going on (was in progress) at a specific point of time in the past. (The point of time in the past may be a moment or a period of time.) For example:	الماضي المستمر يعبر عن حدث كان مستمرا في وقت محدد في الماضي at 3 o'clock ماذا كنت تفعل عند الساعة الثالثة؟
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We were watching TV at three o'clock yesterday.	كنا نشاهد التلفزيون عند الساعة الثالثة بالأمس.
What were you doing at four o'clock? – I was walking my dog.	
Where is my jacket? It was lying here five minutes ago.	
At this time last year he was living in Paris.	
He was teaching economics at a business school last year.	
They were traveling in Europe during the summer.	
The point of time at which the action expressed by the past progressive was going on may be indicated in another sentence. For example:	الوقت المحدد في الماضي ربما يعبر عنه بجملة أو يفهم ضمن جملة. ماذا كنت تفعل عندما اتصلت بك؟
What were you doing when the fire started? I was making breakfast in the kitchen.	ماذا كنت تفعل عندما بدأ الحريق؟ كنت أعد الفطور في المطبخ.
I saw two boys in the hall. They were eating ice cream.	
What did she say? – Sorry, I wasn't listening.	
Sometimes the past progressive is used in the main clause and in the subordinate clause when two actions were in progress simultaneously.	أحيانا يستخدم الماضي المستمر في كلا الفعلين عندما يكون هناك حدثين مستمرين في نفس الوقت و نستخدم الروابط while / as
While Ahmad was doing his homework, Khaled was reading a book.	بينما أحمد كان يحل الواجب كان خالدًا يقرأ كتابًا
Her children were watching TV while she was cooking dinner.	