

Past continuous tense worksheet

Make sentences in the past continuous tense using the verb given in the brackets.

We make past continuous tense forms by putting was or were before the -ing form of the verb. Was is used with singular subjects. Were is used with plural subjects.

1. The boy —————

is sleeping

was sleeping

were sleeping

2. I ————— when the lights went out.

was reading

were reading

am reading

3. She ————— the clothes.

is washing

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was washing

were washing

4. I ----- dinner when the visitors arrived.

am cooking

was cooking

were cooking

5. Julia ----- her homework at 8 pm.

did

was doing

were doing

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6. James ----- the car.

was repairing

were repairing

is repairing

7. Janet ----- for the play.

were rehearsing

is rehearsing

was rehearsing

8. Sophia ----- for the bus.

was waiting

has waiting

were waiting

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9. The birds —————

was chirping

were chirping

have chirping

10. The boys ————— their lesson.

was learning

were learning

are learning

11. She ————— dressed.

was getting

were getting

have been getting

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12. He ————— for his purse.

is searching

was searching

were researching

13. The cat ————— the mouse.

had been chasing

was chasing

were chasing

14. It —————.

is raining

was raining

were raining

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15. The wind ————— fiercely.

is blowing

was blowing

were blowing

16. The dogs —————

are barking

were barking

was barking

Answers

1. The boy was sleeping.
2. I was reading when the lights went out.
3. She was washing the clothes.
4. I was cooking dinner when the visitors arrived.

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5. Julia was doing her homework at 8 pm.

6. James was repairing the car.

7. Janet was rehearsing for the play.

8. Sophia was waiting for the bus.

9. The birds were chirping.

10. The boys were learning their lesson.

11. She was getting dressed.

12. He was searching for his purse.

13. The cat was chasing the mouse.

14. It was raining.

15. The wind was blowing fiercely.

16. The dogs were barking.