

PAST SIMPLE



subject + verb **-ed**
irregular
form

ex: I **worked** yesterday.
I **bought** some bread.



subject + **didn't** + base
form

ex: I **didn't work** yesterday.
I **didn't buy** any bread.



Did + subject + base
form

ex: **Did** you **work** yesterday?
Did you **buy** any bread?

PAST CONTINUOUS



I **was**
you **were**
he/she/it + **was** + verb
we **were** -ing
you **were**
they **were**

ex: I **was** working.
They **were** buying.



I **wasn't**
you **weren't**
he/she/it + **wasn't** + verb
we **weren't** -ing
you **weren't**
they **weren't**

ex: I **wasn't** working.
They **weren't** buying.



Was I
Were you
Was he/she/it + verb
Were we -ing
Were you
Were they

ex: **Was** I working?
Were they buying?

TIME EXPRESSIONS PAST SIMPLE

- WHEN
- Yesterday
- Last.....
-ago
- in.....
- Suddenly

TIME EXPRESSIONS PAST CONTINUOUS

- when / WHILE
- as
- at....

USES

- A long action (*p. continuous*) interrupted by a short one (*p. simple*).

ex: I **was studying** **when** my brother **came** into my room.

My brother **came** into my room **while** I **was studying**.

- Two simultaneous actions (*p. continuous*).

ex: I **was having** a shower **while** I **was listening** to music.

- A succession of actions

ex: **Yesterday**, she **opened** the door, **looked** at us and **went** to her room.