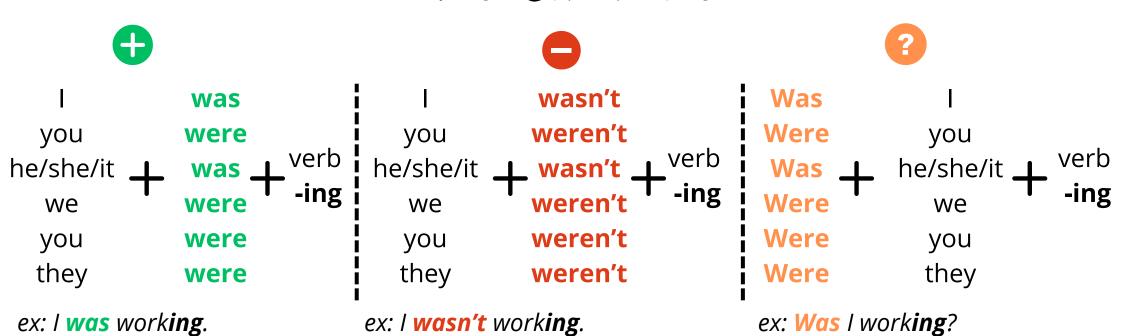


PAST CONTINUOUS



Were they buy**ing**?

They weren't buying.

They **were** buy**ing**.

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, loooked at us and went to her room.