

# Let's Practice: Past Simple Tense

Past Simple: Fill in the blank with the positive, negative, or question form of the past simple tense.

1.	She	(visit) her grandmother last weekend.	
2.	We	(not watch) the movie because it was too late.	
3.		you (go) to the party on Saturday?	
4.	They	(play) football after school.	
5.	He	(not finish) his homework last night.	
6.	I	_ (buy) a new jacket yesterday.	
7.		she (like) the surprise?	
8.	We	(not eat) breakfast this morning.	
9.	My brother _	(win) the game.	
10.		they (travel) to Spain last summer?	
11.	She	(not call) me back.	
12.	I	(see) a shooting star last night.	
13.	What time _	you (get) home?	
14.	They	(not understand) the question.	
15.	He	(make) a delicious cake for the party.	
16.		your parents (meet) the new neighbors?	
17.	I	_ (not go) to the meeting.	
18.	We	(dance) all night at the wedding.	
19.	Why	she (cry) after the movie?	
20.	He	(not take) the bus to school.	
21.	They	(arrive) late to the concert.	
22.		you (enjoy) the trip?	
23.	She	(not wear) a jacket, even though it was cold.	
24.	I	_ (find) a wallet on the street.	
25.	What	he (say) about the test?	
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## Past Simple: Answer Key

- 1. She **visited** her grandmother last weekend.
- 2. We did not (didn't) watch the movie because it was too late.
- 3. **Did** you **go** to the party on Saturday?
- 4. They **played** football after school.
- 5. He did not (didn't) finish his homework last night.
- 6. I **bought** a new jacket yesterday.
- 7. **Did** she **like** the surprise?
- 8. We did not (didn't) eat breakfast this morning.
- 9. My brother won the game.
- 10. **Did** they **travel** to Spain last summer?
- 11. She did not (didn't) call me back.
- 12. I **saw** a shooting star last night.
- 13. What time **did** you **get** home?
- 14. They did not (didn't) understand the question.
- 15. He **made** a delicious cake for the party.
- 16. **Did** your parents **meet** the new neighbors?
- 17. I **did not (didn't) go** to the meeting.
- 18. We **danced** all night at the wedding.
- 19. Why did she cry after the movie?
- 20. He did not (didn't) take the bus to school.
- 21. They **arrived** late to the concert.
- 22. **Did** you **enjoy** the trip?
- 23. She did not (didn't) wear a jacket, even though it was cold.
- 24. I found a wallet on the street.
- 25. What **did** he **say** about the test?



# Let's Practice: Past Continuous Tense

Past Continuous: Fill in the blank with the positive, negative, or question form of the past continuous tense.

1.	She	(study) for he	er exam when I called.
2.	We	(not watch) T	V at that time.
3.		you	(drive) to work this morning?
4.	l	_ (read) a really g	ood book last night.
5.	They	(not listen)	to the teacher.
6.	Не	(sleep) during	the movie.
7.	What	she	(do) when you arrived?
8.	The kids	(play) in	the yard all afternoon.
9.	I	_ (not pay) attenti	on during the meeting.
10.		they	(talk) about the project?
11.	My mom	(cook) c	linner when I got home.
12.	We	(not walk) to	school because it was raining.
13.	I	_ (write) an email	while she was calling me.
14.	He	(not wear) a ja	acket even though it was cold.
15.		you	(text) me earlier today?
16.	The students	(no	t do) their homework in class.
17.	I	_ (listen) to music	while driving.
18.	What	they	(argue) about last night?
19.	She	(wait) for the	bus when it started to snow.
20.	We	(not sleep) w	ell because of the noise.
21.	He	(run) when he	fell and hurt his knee.
22.		your brother	(use) the computer last night?
23.	I	_ (not feel) well, s	o I stayed home.
24.	They	(have) dinn	er when the lights went out.
25.	Why	she	(cry) at the end of the movie?



## Past Continuous: Answer Key

- 1. She was studying for her exam when I called.
- 2. We weren't (were not) watching TV at that time.
- 3. Were you driving to work this morning?
- I was reading a really good book last night.
- 5. They weren't (were not) listening to the teacher.
- 6. He was sleeping during the movie.
- 7. What was she doing when you arrived?
- 8. The kids were playing in the yard all afternoon.
- 9. I wasn't (was not) paying attention during the meeting.
- 10. Were they talking about the project?
- 11. My mom was cooking dinner when I got home.
- 12. We weren't (were not) walking to school because it was raining.
- 13. I was writing an email while she was calling me.
- 14. He wasn't (was not) wearing a jacket even though it was cold.
- 15. Were you texting me earlier today?
- 16. The students weren't (were not) doing their homework in class.
- 17. I was listening to music while driving.
- 18. What were they arguing about last night?
- 19. She was waiting for the bus when it started to snow.
- 20. We weren't (were not) sleeping well because of the noise.
- 21. He was running when he fell and hurt his knee.
- 22. **Was** your brother **using** the computer last night?
- 23. I wasn't (was not) feeling well, so I stayed home.
- 24. They were having dinner when the lights went out.
- 25. Why was she crying at the end of the movie?



# Let's Practice: Past Simple and Past Continuous Tense

Past Simple and Past Continuous: Fill in the blank with the positive, negative, or question form of the past simple or the past continuous.

1.	I	(walk) home when it	(start) to rain.
2.	She	(break) her phone while she	(run) to catch the bus.
3.	We	(have) dinner when the power _	(go) out.
4.	While I	(study), my friends	(play) video games.
5.	He	(fall) asleep while he	(watch) TV.
6.	They	(not listen) when the teacher	(ask) the question.
7.	What	you (do) when t	ne fire alarm (go) off?
8.	I	(see) an old friend while I	(shop) downtown.
9.	While she	(paint) the wall, she	(spill) the paint.
10.	We	(drive) through the mountains v	when it (start) to snow.
11.	The students	(talk) loudly when the	principal (walk) in.
12.	He	(cut) his finger while he	(cook) dinner.
13.	While they	(wait) for the train, it suc	Idenly (begin) to rain.
14.	1	(drop) my phone while I	(get) off the bus.
15.	She	(not hear) her phone because	she (listen) to music.
16.	What	he (say) while ye	ou (take) notes?
17.	While I	(clean) the kitchen, someon	e (knock) on the door.
18.	They	(argue) about money when I _	(arrive).
19.	He	(break) his glasses while he	(play) basketball.
20.	We	(not drive) fast when the accide	ent (happen).
21.	While I	(take) a shower, the phone	(ring).
22.	The kids	(build) a snowman when i	t (start) to melt.
23.	She	(lose) her keys while she	(jog) in the park.
24.	.1	(read) a book when the lights	(go) out.
25.	What	you (do) while the	ney (clean) the house?



## Past Simple and Past Continuous: Answer Key

- 1. I was walking home when it started to rain.
- 2. She **broke** her phone while she **was running** to catch the bus.
- 3. We were having dinner when the power went out.
- 4. While I was studying, my friends were playing video games.
- 5. He **fell** asleep while he was watching TV.
- 6. They were not listening when the teacher asked the question.
- 7. What were you doing when the fire alarm went off?
- 8. I **saw** an old friend while I **was shopping** downtown.
- 9. While she was painting the wall, she spilled the paint.
- 10. We were driving through the mountains when it started to snow.
- 11. The students were talking loudly when the principal walked in.
- 12. He **cut** his finger while he **was cooking** dinner.
- 13. While they were waiting for the train, it suddenly began to rain.
- 14. I dropped my phone while I was getting off the bus.
- 15. She did not hear her phone because she was listening to music.
- 16. What did he say while you were taking notes?
- 17. While I was cleaning the kitchen, someone knocked on the door.
- 18. They were arguing about money when I arrived.
- 19. He **broke** his glasses while he **was playing** basketball.
- 20. We were not driving fast when the accident happened.
- 21. While I was taking a shower, the phone rang.
- 22. The kids were building a snowman when it started to melt.
- 23. She **lost** her keys while she was jogging in the park.
- 24. I was reading a book when the lights went out.
- 25. What were you doing while they were cleaning the house?



# Let's Practice: Past Perfect Tense

# Past Perfect: Fill in the blank with the positive, negative, or question form of the past perfect tense.

1.	She	(already / leave) when I arrived.
2.	We	(finish) dinner before the movie started.
3.	He	(never / see) a shooting star before that night.
4.	They	(live) in Chicago before they moved to New York.
5.	I	_ (not / hear) the news until I saw it online.
6.		you ever (be) to Paris before your trip in 2020?
7.	The train	(leave) by the time we got to the station.
8.	She	(save) enough money to buy a car.
9.	We	(not / clean) the house before the guests arrived.
10.	He	(read) the book before seeing the movie.
11.	By the time	the show started, we (find) our seats.
12.	I	_ (not / try) sushi until last year.
13.	They	(close) the store when I got there.
14.	She	(write) five pages before taking a break.
15.	We	(know) each other for years before we got married.
16.	I	_ (forget) his name because we hadn't met in so long.
17.	The kids	(eat) all the cookies before dinner.
18.	He	(take) the test before the teacher explained the rules.
19.		she (finish) her homework before dinner?
20.	I	_ (not / study) much before the exam.
21.	They	(sell) their house before moving abroad.
22.	We	(meet) her once before at a conference.
23.	He	(not / fix) the car before the trip.
24.	She	(already / go) to bed when I called.
25.	The movie	(start) by the time we arrived.



## Past Perfect: Answer Key

- 1. She had already left when I arrived.
- 2. We **had finished** dinner before the movie started.
- 3. He had never seen a shooting star before that night.
- 4. They had lived in Chicago before they moved to New York.
- 5. I had not heard the news until I saw it online.
- 6. Had you ever been to Paris before your trip in 2020?
- 7. The train **had left** by the time we got to the station.
- 8. She had saved enough money to buy a car.
- 9. We **had not cleaned** the house before the guests arrived.
- 10. He **had read** the book before seeing the movie.
- 11. By the time the show started, we **had found** our seats.
- 12. I had not tried sushi until last year.
- 13. They had closed the store when I got there.
- 14. She **had written** five pages before taking a break.
- 15. We had known each other for years before we got married.
- 16. I had forgotten his name because we hadn't met in so long.
- 17. The kids **had eaten** all the cookies before dinner.
- 18. He **had taken** the test before the teacher explained the rules.
- 19. **Had she finished** her homework before dinner?
- 20. I had not studied much before the exam.
- 21. They had sold their house before moving abroad.
- 22. We had met her once before at a conference.
- 23. He **had not fixed** the car before the trip.
- 24. She had already gone to bed when I called.
- 25. The movie **had started** by the time we arrived.



# Let's Practice: Past Perfect Continuous Tense

Past Perfect Continuous: Fill in the blank with the positive, negative, or question form of the past perfect continuous tense.

1.	I	(study) for hours before the test started.
2.	They	(wait) for the bus for 30 minutes before it arrived.
3.	She	(live) in the city for five years before moving to the suburbs
4.	We	(work) all day, so we were really tired.
5.	He	(not / sleep) well before he visited the doctor.
6.	The team _	(practice) hard before the big game.
7.	I	(not / feel) well, so I went home early.
8.	What	you (do) before I called?
9.	She	(cook) all afternoon before the guests arrived.
10.	It	(rain) for hours before it finally stopped.
11.	They	(look) for a new apartment before they found one.
12.	We	(drive) for two hours when the car broke down.
13.	He	(not / study) enough before the exam.
14.	The kids	(play) outside before it got dark.
15.	I	(write) emails all morning.
16.	How long _	she (work) there before quitting?
17.	We	(talk) about it for months before deciding.
18.	You	(not / exercise) regularly, had you?
19.	They	(plan) the trip for weeks.
20.	She	(paint) the room before she got sick.
21.	I	(not / pay) attention before the teacher asked me a question.
22.	He	(watch) TV for hours before he noticed the time.
23.	We	(shop) for hours before finding the right gift.
24.		you (wait) long before I arrived?
25.	Thev	(argue) all day when I saw them.



## Past Perfect Continuous: Answer Key

- 1. I had been studying for hours before the test started.
- 2. They had been waiting for the bus for 30 minutes before it arrived.
- 3. She had been living in the city for five years before moving to the suburbs.
- 4. We had been working all day, so we were really tired.
- 5. He had not been sleeping well before he visited the doctor.
- 6. The team **had been practicing** hard before the big game.
- 7. I had not been feeling well, so I went home early.
- 8. What had you been doing before I called?
- 9. She had been cooking all afternoon before the guests arrived.
- 10. It had been raining for hours before it finally stopped.
- 11. They had been looking for a new apartment before they found one.
- 12. We had been driving for two hours when the car broke down.
- 13. He **had not been studying** enough before the exam.
- 14. The kids **had been playing** outside before it got dark.
- 15. I had been writing emails all morning.
- 16. How long had she been working there before quitting?
- 17. We **had been talking** about it for months before deciding.
- 18. You had not been exercising regularly, had you?
- 19. They had been planning the trip for weeks.
- 20. She had been painting the room before she got sick.
- 21. I had not been paying attention before the teacher asked me a question.
- 22. He had been watching TV for hours before he noticed the time.
- 23. We had been shopping for hours before finding the right gift.
- 24. Had you been waiting long before I arrived?
- 25. They had been arguing all day when I saw them.