

7º ano

Past continuous

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## Past Continuous: o que estava acontecendo

### ① Reading

Read the school news and choose the correct answer.

#### The day the lights went out

Last Wednesday, there was a big storm in our city. At 3 p.m., the lights went out at school.

When it happened, the 7th grade students were having a Science test. Mrs. Rocha was walking around the classroom. Some students were writing their answers and others were thinking.

In the gym, the volleyball team was practicing for a tournament. In the kitchen, the cooks were making snacks for the afternoon break.

The lights came back after 20 minutes. Nobody was hurt, and the test continued!

1. What were the 7th grade students doing when the lights went out?

- ☐ a) Practicing volleyball
- ☐ b) Having a Science test
- ☐ c) Making snacks

2. What was Mrs. Rocha doing?

- ☐ a) Writing answers
- ☐ b) Making snacks
- ☐ c) Walking around the classroom
- ☐ d) Practicing volleyball

3. Who was practicing in the gym?

- ☐ a) The volleyball team
- ☐ b) The cooks
- ☐ c) The 7th grade students

4. How long were the lights off?

- ☐ a) Two hours
- ☐ b) Three minutes
- ☐ c) Twenty minutes

### ② Was or were + -ing

Complete with the past continuous of the verbs in parentheses.

1. At 8 p.m. yesterday, I \_\_\_\_\_ (watch) a series.
2. My parents \_\_\_\_\_ (cook) dinner when I arrived.
3. It \_\_\_\_\_ (rain) all morning.
4. We \_\_\_\_\_ (play) soccer when it started to rain.
5. Paula \_\_\_\_\_ (not / sleep) at midnight. She was studying.
6. The boys \_\_\_\_\_ (not / listen) to the teacher.

### ③ Past continuous or simple past?

Choose the correct answer.

1. The phone rang while I \_\_\_ a shower.  
( ) **a)** took                                      ( ) **b)** was taking                                      ( ) **c)** am taking
2. While Ana was walking home, she \_\_\_ an old friend.  
( ) **a)** met                                      ( ) **b)** was meeting                                      ( ) **c)** meets
3. \_\_\_ you sleeping when I called you?  
( ) **a)** Was                                      ( ) **b)** Did                                      ( ) **c)** Were
4. What were they doing at 10 a.m. yesterday?  
( ) **a)** They are studying.  
( ) **b)** They were studying.  
( ) **c)** They study.

④ True or false?

Read the sentences about the grammar and mark T (true) or F (false).

- 1.** We use "were" with you, we and they.

☐ True ☐ False
- 2.** "She were reading" is a correct sentence.

☐ True ☐ False

# Gabarito

## 1. Reading

1. b) Having a Science test
2. c) Walking around the classroom
3. a) The volleyball team
4. c) Twenty minutes

## 3. Past continuous or simple past?

1. b) was taking
2. a) met
3. c) Were
4. b) They were studying.

## 2. Was or were + -ing

1. was watching
2. were cooking
3. was raining
4. were playing
5. wasn't sleeping
6. weren't listening

## 4. True or false?

1. True
2. False