

Past continuous

1 Katie Oliver is a secretary and a mother of two children. This is a page from Katie's diary listing the things she did yesterday. Write sentences saying what Katie was doing at the times mentioned below, as in the example.

- 1 Katie ► *was making* breakfast at 7:20.
- 2 Katie at 8:15.
- 3 Katie at 8:45.
- 4 Katie at 11:30.
- 5 Katie at 1:45.
- 6 Katie at 4:30.
- 7 Katie at 5:45.
- 8 Katie at 7:15.

7:15 - 7:30	make breakfast for children
8:00 - 8:30	drive children to school
8:30 - 9:00	go to work
11:00 - 12:00	have a meeting with boss
1:30 - 2:00	have lunch
3:00 - 5:00	type some reports
5:30 - 6:00	collect children from babysitter
7:00 - 7:30	cook dinner



2 Use the *past continuous* to say what you were doing ...

- 1 at 11 o'clock last night.
► *I was sleeping at 11 o'clock last night.*
- 2 at 8 o'clock yesterday morning.
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- 3 at 7:30 this morning.
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- 4 two hours ago.
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- 5 this time last year.
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- 6 last Sunday afternoon.
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- 7 in July two years ago.
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- 8 when your Mum/Dad came home from work yesterday.
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3 What were the people doing at 1:00 yesterday afternoon? Write sentences.

- 1 Felix /work
► *Felix was working.*



- 2 Emma and Claire/have coffee
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- 3 Robert/paint his house
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- 4 Frank and Mary/walk their dogs
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4 Look at the picture of the Jones' house, a few minutes before an earthquake. What was each person doing? Look at the pictures and use the verbs below to correct the sentences.

- make orange juice • cook • eat breakfast • feed the dog • pack school bag • read the newspaper



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| <p>1 Tom was reading a book.
▶ <i>Tom wasn't reading a book. He was feeding the dog.</i></p> <p>2 Katie and Emma were drawing a picture.
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5 Form questions, then answer them.

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| <p>1 you/live/France/last year?
A: ▶ <i>Were you living in France last year?</i>
B: ▶ <i>No, I wasn't. I was living in Spain.</i></p> <p>2 your parents/watch/the news/eight o'clock/last night?
A:
B:</p> <p>3 you/have/breakfast/seven o'clock/this morning?
A:
B:</p> | <p>4 your best friend/play football/four o'clock/last Friday afternoon?
A:
B:</p> <p>5 you/sleep/six o'clock/this morning?
A:
B:</p> <p>6 it/snow/all day/yesterday?
A:
B:</p> |
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7 Tom and his friends went on a picnic in the park at 2 o'clock yesterday afternoon. Look at the picture and use the verbs to write what each person was doing, as in the example.

- play football • read a book
- listen to music • eat sandwiches



- 1 Jim and Tom ▶ *were playing football.*
- 2 Mike
- 3 Anna
- 4 Sarah and Nicky