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present continuous tense

present continuous tense: is used to describe actions that are happening right now or are currently in progress.

S +(is , are, am) + V (ING) + C.....

for ex.

.She is reading a book.

.They are playing soccer in the park.

.I am writing an email to my friend.

.The dog is chasing its tail.

.He is studying for his upcoming exam.

Question

- In the present continuous tense, questions are formed by using the present tense of the verb "to be" (am, is, are) at the beginning of the sentence, followed by the subject, and then the base form of the main verb plus -ing.
- EX
- What are you doing this weekend?
- Is she coming to the party tonight?
- Are they studying for their test?
- Why are you wearing a coat indoors?
- What time are you leaving for the airport?

Present continuous negotiation

- Present continuous negotiation refers to using the present continuous tense in a negotiation context to discuss ongoing or current situations, actions, or plans.
- EX
- She is not watching TV right now.
- They are not eating dinner at the moment.
- I am not running in the race this weekend.
- He is not playing video games at the moment.
- We are not studying chemistry tonight.

past continuous tense

past continuous tense is used to describe ongoing actions or events that were happening at a specific point in the past.

examples:

She was studying when the power went out. (ongoing action interrupted by another event)

I was watching TV while they were cooking dinner. (two ongoing actions happening simultaneously)

They were playing soccer when it started raining. (an ongoing action that was interrupted)

He was reading a book at 8 PM last night. (specific time reference for an ongoing action)

We were walking in the park when we saw them. (describing an ongoing action in the past)

Question

- In questions using the past continuous tense, (was/were) comes before the subject, followed by the present participle of the verb.
- examples:
 - Was she studying when you called her?
 - Were they playing basketball at that time?
 - Was I watching TV when you arrived?
 - Was he working on the project yesterday afternoon?
 - Were we waiting for the bus when it arrived?

*These examples show how questions in the past continuous tense are formed to inquire about ongoing actions that were happening at a specific point in the past.

Negative

The negative form of the past continuous tense involves using (was/were not) + the present participle of the verb.

examples:

She was not studying when I called her. (denying an ongoing action)

They were not playing basketball at that time. (stating the absence of an ongoing action)

I was not watching TV when the guests arrived. (denying an ongoing action)

He was not working on the project yesterday afternoon. (stating the absence of an ongoing action)

We were not waiting for the bus when it arrived. (denying an ongoing action)

These examples illustrate how the negative form of the past continuous tense is used to deny or indicate the absence of ongoing actions in the past.