

Grammar

Past simple and past continuous forms

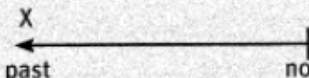
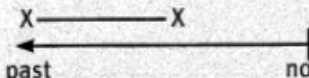
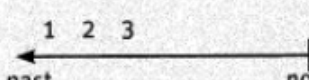
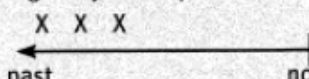
	past simple	past continuous
+	verb + -ed He checked my report.	was / were + verb -ing He was checking my report.
-	did / did not + verb I didn't watch the movie.	was / were not + verb -ing They weren't watching the movie.
?	did ... + verb? Did he speak to the boss?	was / were ... + verb -ing ... ? Was he speaking to the boss?

Many commonly used verbs are irregular in the past simple:


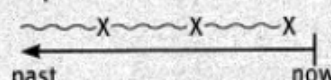
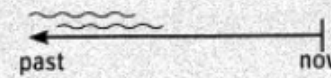
go → went spend → spent
buy → bought catch → caught

Past simple and past continuous uses

We use the past simple when we want to:

- talk about a completed action in the past

*I **looked** at a couple of magazines.*
- emphasize that an action is completed

*I **worked** for Blick Enterprises in the summer.
 (= and then I stopped working for them.)*
- talk about actions that follow other actions in the past

*When I finally **got** here and **went** to the baggage pick-up, my luggage **didn't turn up** on the carousel.*
- talk about an activity that took place regularly in the past

*I **brought** my lunch every day last week.*

We use the past continuous when we want to:

- talk about an action that was in progress at a certain point in the past, especially when another action interrupts it

*I **was just catching up** on my email when your flight arrived.*
- emphasize the duration of the action

*I **was working** for Blick Enterprises all summer.
 (= it was a long time)*
- talk about actions that continued at the same time in the past

*I **was looking** for my boarding pass while I **was walking** to the gate.*

Used to vs. be / get used to + -ing

It can be easy to confuse *used to* and *be / get used to*.

We use *used to* when we talk about past actions or routines that we no longer follow and permanent situations that are no longer true.

+	<i>used to + verb</i>	<i>She used to travel alone..</i>
-	<i>did not use to + verb</i>	<i>He didn't use to travel by boat.</i>
?	<i>did...use to + verb?</i>	<i>Did they use to check all the bags?</i>

You can see the whole lesson from your teacher, please ask them to send it to you before the class.

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