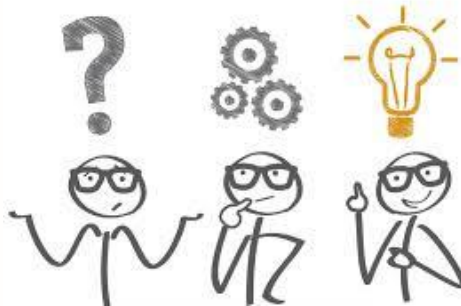


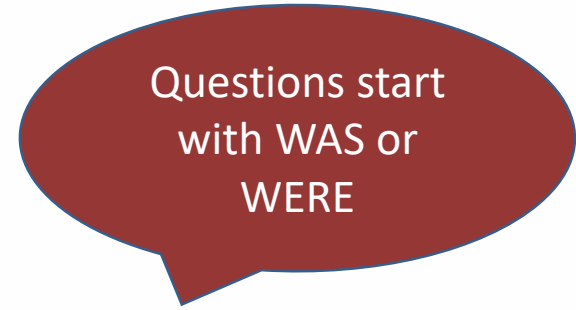
Unit 9b: Past continuous questions Reflexive pronouns

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Was or were + gerund



- ✓ Were you working late last night?
- ✓ What was your mum cooking for lunch yesterday?
- ✓ Were they having a great conversation before they left the office?





Those can be simple(yes/no) questions or information (wh-) questions.

Was Lidia playing soccer at noon last Sunday?

What was Rodrigo watching on TV after class yesterday?.

Were our grandparents working in the yard yesterday morning?

What were Miguel and Pedro doing before they arrived home?



Time
expressions
are
important



Remeber

WHEN or WHILE
are used with past
continuous

WE USE PAST CONTINUOUS WITH SIMPLE PAST TO REFER TO THE TIME FRAME IN A QUESTION.

What were you doing when your mother arrived home?

I was just finishing my homework.

Was Carolina playing with her brother when the telephone rang?

Yes, they were playing for about an hour.

SIMPLE PAST QUESTIONS JUST REFER TO AN EVENT.

What did you do last night?

I finished my homework.

Did your cousins go to the cinema the past Saturday?

No, they didn't. They stayed home and watched a DVD.



Do not confuse when to use the
past simple or continuous.

- What was Alicia doing (when the mail arrived)?

Or

- Were you working (when your dad called)?

DIFFERENT FROM

- What did you do last Christmas?

Or

- Were you a good student in primary school?





Reflexive pronouns

When the object of the action is oneself, we use...

Myself

Yourself

Himself

Herself

Itself

Ourselves

Yourselves

Themselves

I was looking at **myself** in the mirror and discovered a scar on my face.

They hurt **themselves** while trying to operate that construction machine.





The subject and the object are the same person

Cecilia was talking to **herself** in a loud voice, so everyone heard her.

You have to listen to **yourselves** when making a presentation, then you can avoid some mistakes.

I didn't take care of **myself**, that's why I had to be operated.





Sometimes

We use reflexive pronouns when we say we need no help.

I can do this task **by myself**, is is very easy.

My little sister did her homework **by herself** because she is very smart.

Can **you** cook dinner **by yourself**? I have to go out.

Sure, **We** can do it by **ourselves** as long as it is not a complicate dish.

*Thank
you*



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