PAST CONTINUOUS TENSE (Prošlo trajno vreme)

Gradi se od pomoćnog glagola TO BE u prostom prošlom vremenu (was/were) i sadašnjeg participa glavnog glagola koji se menja (infinitiv + -ing):

Potvrdni oblik:

I was singing	We were singing
You were singing	You were singing
He/She/It was singing	They were singing

Upitni oblik gradi se inverzijom:

Was I singing?	Were we singing?
Were you singing?	Were you singing?
Was he/she/it singing?	Were they singing?

Odrični oblik gradi se dodavanjem rečce NOT na pomoćni glagol:

I wasn't singing	We weren't singing
You weren't singing	You weren't singing
He/She/It wasn't singing	They weren't singing

Upotrebe:

1. Dve ili više aktivnosti koje su se u prošlosti dešavale istovremeno izražavamo tako što upotrebljavamo Past Continuous. Najčešće veznik **while** (dok, za vreme, kada) povezuje rečenice u jednu složenu rečenicu:

While Mark was reading a book, we were watching TV.

2. U kombinaciji sa Past Simple Tense, u istoj rečenici: Past Continuous se koristi da izrazi radnju koja je trajala duže vreme, a Past Simple da izrazi kratku, završenu radnju:

While I <u>was cooking</u>, I <u>burnt</u> my hand. I <u>was reading</u> a book when the phone <u>rang</u>. Debora <u>met</u> Tobby while she <u>was going</u> to school.