

Past Continuous

Nome: _____ Data: ____/____/____

VOCABULARY

to rush correr / apressar-se

I was rushing to catch the bus.

to wait esperar

We were waiting outside when it started to rain.

to argue discutir

They were arguing about money.

traffic jam engarrafamento

I was sitting in a traffic jam for an hour.

neighbour vizinho

My neighbour was playing loud music.

crowd multidão

A crowd was forming near the entrance.

noise barulho

The noise was getting worse.

to cook cozinhar

She was cooking when I called.

meanwhile enquanto isso

Meanwhile, my brother was watching TV.

suddenly de repente

Suddenly the lights went out.

to knock bater (na porta)

Someone was knocking at the door.

soaking wet encharcado

I got home soaking wet.

PATTERNS · O PADRÃO DA AULA

Past Continuous Structure

- ✓ Positive: "I was studying." / "They were working."
- ✓ Negative: "She wasn't sleeping." / "We weren't paying attention."

Setting the Scene with Past Continuous

- ✓ Use Past Continuous to paint a picture before the main event.
- ✓ It was a stormy night. The wind WAS HOWLING, the fire WAS CRACKLING, and I WAS READING a mystery novel, when suddenly... I HEARD footsteps.

Past Continuous vs. Past Simple

- ✓ Past Continuous = background/ongoing action (longer).
- ✓ Past Simple = sudden/completed action (shorter, interrupts).

KEY PHRASES

I was just about to... Eu estava prestes a...

While this was happening... Enquanto isso acontecia...

At that exact moment... Naquele exato momento...

It was the perfect setting for... Era o cenário perfeito para...

MINHAS FRASES · ESCREVA 3 EXEMPLOS SEUS ANTES DA AULA

Comece com: Positive: "I was studying."... · Past Continuous = background/ongoing...

NOTAS
