

## Present Continuous Tense

It deals with events that happen in the past and are usually interrupted by another action in the past.

### 1. The Affirmative Form

Subject + was/ were + Verb (ing)

| Subject              | Pronoun | Auxiliary | Verb    |
|----------------------|---------|-----------|---------|
| Ali                  | He      | was       | playing |
| Sarah                | She     | was       | playing |
| Cat                  | It      | was       | playing |
| Ali and Sarah / Cats | They    | were      | playing |
| Ali, Sarah, and me   | We      | were      | playing |
|                      | You     | were      | playing |
|                      | I       | were      | playing |

### 2. The Negative Form

Subject + (wasn't / weren't) + verb (ing).

| Subject              | Pronoun | Negative | Verb    |
|----------------------|---------|----------|---------|
| Ali                  | He      | wasn't   | playing |
| Sarah                | She     | wasn't   | playing |
| Cat                  | It      | wasn't   | playing |
| Ali and Sarah / Cats | They    | weren't  | playing |
| Ali, Sarah, and me   | We      | weren't  | playing |
|                      | You     | weren't  | playing |
|                      | I       | weren't  | playing |

### 3. The Question Form with the Short Form

Was \ Were + Subject + verb (ing)?

| Auxiliary | Subject              | Pronoun | Verb     |  |
|-----------|----------------------|---------|----------|--|
| Was       | Ali                  | he      | Playing? | Yes, he was.<br>No, he wasn't.                                     |
| Was       | Sarah                | she     | Playing? | Yes, she was.<br>No, he wasn't.                                    |
| Was       | cat                  | it      | Playing? | Yes, it was.<br>No, it wasn't.                                     |
| Were      | Ali and Sarah / cats | they    | Playing? | Yes, they were.<br>No, they weren't.                               |
| Were      | Ali, Sarah, and me   | we      | Playing? | Yes, we were.<br>No, we weren't.                                   |
| Were      |                      | you     | Playing? | Yes, you were. / Yes, I were.<br>No, you weren't. / No, I weren't. |
| Were      |                      | I       | Playing? | Yes, I were.<br>No, I weren't.                                     |

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| Was  | He / She / It       |
| Were | They / We / You / I |