

PAST PROGRESSIVE AFFIRMATIVE, NEGATIVE, AND INTERROGATIVE

Affirmative

Subject + was / were + verb *-ing* + complement

I / he / she / it	was	reading	a book.
You / we / they	were	watching	the game with my dad.

Negative

Subject + wasn't / weren't + verb *-ing* + complement

I / he / she / it	wasn't	picking up	trash in the patio.
You / we / they	weren't	interrupting	the class this morning.

Wh- questions and Yes / No questions

Wh- word + was / were + subject + verb *-ing* + complement

Why	was	I / he / she / it	canyoneering alone?
What	were	you / we / they	doing?

Yes / No questions

Was he climbing Mount Everest? **No**, he **wasn't**.

Were they looking for him? **Yes**, they **were**.

- The past progressive refers to an ongoing action in the past, or two simultaneous ongoing actions in the past.
- In the interrogative form, the auxiliary verb comes before the subject of the sentence.
- Short answers for Yes / No questions use the auxiliary verb.