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Answer Worksheet Number-16 Past Continuous Tense

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We use the past continuous tense to talk about an action that was going on at some point of time in the past.

We use was/ were and add -ing to the main verb to change it into its past continuous form.

For example:- I was studying last night when the storm came.

(was + study + ing)

1. Circle the correct -ing form of the word:-

- a. Jump- Jumping , Jumping
- b. Pin- Pinning , Pineng
- c. Work- Working Workking
- d. Teach- Teacheng , Teaching
- e. Box- Boxing , Boxxing

2. Fill in the blanks using “was” or “were”:-

- a. You were talking in your sleep.
- b. He was eating with his fingers!
- c. They were shouting “Hooray !”
- d. I was wondering if I could borrow your book.
- e. What were you doing yesterday?

3. Make sentences from the cues:-

Example- John/ talk/ during class- John was talking during class.

- a. We/think/ about cycling- We were thinking about cycling.
- b. They/ not/ sing/at the concert- They were not singing at the concert.
- c. I/not/pay/attention- I was not paying attention.
- d. Who/clap/ in the end?- Who were clapping in the end?
- e. My/sister/not/watch/the movie- My sister was not watching the movie.

4. Use the past continuous (was/were +ing) form of the verbs given in brackets to complete the conversation:-

Tim: Hello, John! I must ask what you were doing last evening.

John :I was practicing for my singing competition.

Tim: I was trying to call you but your mobile phone was switched off.

John: Yes, I switched off my mobile phone to concentrate better. Was it something urgent?

Tim: No, not really. Some friends and I were going to watch a movie.