



Introduction

Welcome to this worksheet on interrupted actions in the past! In this activity, you will learn how to use the past continuous and past simple tenses to describe actions that were interrupted by other actions. This is an important grammar concept that will help you communicate more effectively in English.

Activity 1: Sentence Completion

Complete the following sentences using the past continuous and past simple tenses:

1. I _____ (watch) TV when my phone _____ (ring).
2. My mom _____ (cook) dinner when my dad _____ (come) home.
3. We _____ (play) soccer when it _____ (start) raining.

Activity 2: Role-Play Scenarios

Work in pairs to act out the following scenarios:

1. You were studying for a test when your friend called you.
2. You were playing video games when your mom asked you to do your homework.
3. You were eating breakfast when your brother spilled juice on your shirt.

Use the past continuous and past simple tenses to describe what happened in each scenario.

Activity 3: Error Analysis

Identify and correct the errors in the following sentences:

1. I was watching TV when my phone ringing.
2. My mom was cooking dinner when my dad came home and we eat.
3. We was playing soccer when it started raining and we go home.

Activity 4: Sentence Building

Build your own sentences using the past continuous and past simple tenses to describe interrupted actions. Use the following sentence stems:

1. I was _____ when _____.
2. My friend was _____ when _____.
3. We were _____ when _____.

Activity 5: Writing Task

Write a short paragraph describing a time when you were doing something and something else happened. Use the past continuous and past simple tenses to describe what happened.

Answer Key

Check your answers with the following key:

Activity 1:

1. I was watching TV when my phone rang.
2. My mom was cooking dinner when my dad came home.
3. We were playing soccer when it started raining.

Activity 2:

(Answers will vary depending on student responses)

Activity 3:

1. I was watching TV when my phone rang.
2. My mom was cooking dinner when my dad came home and we ate.
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Activity 5:

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Conclusion

Congratulations on completing this worksheet on interrupted actions in the past! You have learned how to use the past continuous and past simple tenses to describe actions that were interrupted by other actions. Remember to practice using these tenses in your everyday conversations to improve your English skills.

