



Past Continuous

Fill in the gaps with the correct form of the past continuous (was/were + base verb + "ing").

1. While I _____ (watch) TV, the power suddenly went out.
2. My colleagues _____ (play) video games when I walked into the room.
3. Yesterday, he _____ (cook) dinner while his friend set the table.
4. The kids _____ (laugh) loudly as they played in the backyard.
5. We _____ (sit) at a picnic table in the park when it started raining.
6. I _____ (study) for the exam when my friend called with exciting news.
7. While they _____ (talk) on the phone, the cat knocked over a vase.
8. Sherry _____ (fix) her bike when it suddenly broke again.
9. The teacher _____ (explain) the lesson when the fire alarm went off.
10. They _____ (dance) like crazy at the party last night.
11. While she _____ (read) a book, her phone kept buzzing with messages.
12. I _____ (wait) for the bus when it finally arrived.
13. The dog _____ (bark) loudly because it saw a squirrel in the backyard.
14. While we _____ (travel) to the beach, the car broke down.
15. She _____ (surf) when she spotted a dolphin in the ocean.

Answers

1. was watching
2. were playing
3. was cooking
4. were laughing
5. were sitting
6. was studying
7. were talking
8. was fixing
9. was explaining
10. were dancing
11. was reading
12. was waiting
13. was barking
14. were traveling
15. was surfing