

"Grammar Andy" - the "past progressive" (video transcript)



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Hey, I'm Andy, and I teach English.

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Today's lesson is a busy day in the past progressive.

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Yesterday, I was walking the dog when my phone rang.

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It was my boss. A teacher was feeling sick,

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so she needed me to fill in.

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As I was running to my car, it started to rain.

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When I arrived at the school,

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my boss was waiting outside.

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She told me another teacher's car broke down.

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I was working rest of the day.

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So, why use the past progressive?

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One reason is to show the order of events.

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And how do you use the past progressive?

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Write a subject, plus a form of "to be," plus a verb-ing.

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For example: You were saying...

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It was snowing,

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They were laughing.

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All right, your turn. Fill in the blanks.

Click pause.

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What were you doing yesterday?

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Next time, we will learn about the present perfect.

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This is American English, and thanks for watching.

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