THE PAST CONTINUOUS WITH WHEN AND WHILE

PAST SIMPLE

AFFIRMATIVE

Suj+V° en pasado (2ªcol. o +ed) I played (Verbos regulares) He went (Verbos irregulares)

NEGATIVE

Suj+didn't+V° I didn't play He didn't go

INTERROGATIVE

Did+Suj+V° Did you play? Did you go?

PAST CONTINUOUS

AFFIRMATIVE

S+to be(en pasado)+ V°ing
I was playing
He was playing
They were playing

NEGATIVE

S+to be(en pasado neg)+ V°ing
I wasn't playing
He wasn't playing
They weren't playing

INTERROGATIVE

To be(en pasado)+S+Voing Were you playing? Was she playing?

'when' + short action (past simple tense)
'while' + long action (past continuous tense)

I was watching TV when Jim knocked the door.

	I was watching TV	when	Jim <i>knocked</i> the door.
When	Jim <i>knocked</i> the door	,	I was watching TV
	Jim <i>knocked</i> the door	while	I was watching TV
While	I was watching TV	,	Jim <i>knocked</i> the door