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Chair of the foreign languages

Past Simple, Continuous, Perfect, Perfect
Continuous Tense.

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Past Indefinite (Simple) Tense

+ S. + V-ed/V3

— S. + did not + V

? Did + S. + V ?

□ Action (succession of actions) in the past.

: yesterday, last week, 3 days ago.

Example:

- ▶ It was founded in 1854.
- ▶ I went to the theatre last week.
- ▶ It was not founded in 1854.
- ▶ I didn't go to the theatre last week.
- ▶ Was it founded in 1854?
- ▶ Did you go to the theatre last week?



Past Continuous Tense

+ S. + was/were + V-ing

— S. + was/were + not + V-ing

? Was/were + S. + V-ing ?

□ Action (process) taking place at a given moment in the past.

: at 5 yesterday, from 5 to 6 yesterday, for 3 days last week, all day long, the whole day, when we came.

Example:

- ▶ I was going to church when he came.
- ▶ We were building a house when he came.
- ▶ I was not going to church when he came.
- ▶ We were not building a house when he came.
- ▶ Were you going to church when I came?
- ▶ Were you building a house when I came?



Past Perfect Tense

+ S. + had + V3/V-ed

— S. + had + not + V3/V-ed

? Had + S. + V3/V-ed ?

□ Action completed before a certain moment in the past.

□ At sequence of tenses.

: by 5 o'clock yesterday, before he came, by the end of last year.

Example:

- ▶ He had gone to the museum before I could talk to him.
- ▶ The train had already left when you came.
- ▶ He had not gone to the museum before I could talk to him.
- ▶ The train had not already left when you came.
- ▶ Had he gone to the museum before I could talk to him?
- ▶ Had the train already left when you came?



Past Perfect Continuous Tense.

+ S. + had been + V-ing

— S. + had + not + been + V-ing

? Had + S. + been + V-ing ?

□ Action (process) which began before a definite moment in the past and was still going at that moment.

: when he came, by 5 o'clock yesterday.

Example:

- ▶ He had been walking in the park about two hours before you rang him up.
- ▶ He had been looking at the attractions about two hours before you rang him.
- ▶ He had not been walking in the park about two hours before you rang him up.
- ▶ He had not been looking at the attractions about two hours before you rang him.
- ▶ Had he been walking in the park about two hours before you rang him up?
- ▶ Had he been looking at the attractions about two hours before you rang him?

