

AMERICAN LANGUAGE COURSE

UNIT 1109

OUTLINE AND STUDY OBJECTIVES

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Past Progressive Tense

Affirmative Statements

Negative Statements

Affirmative Questions

Negative Questions

Action Verbs

Past Tense

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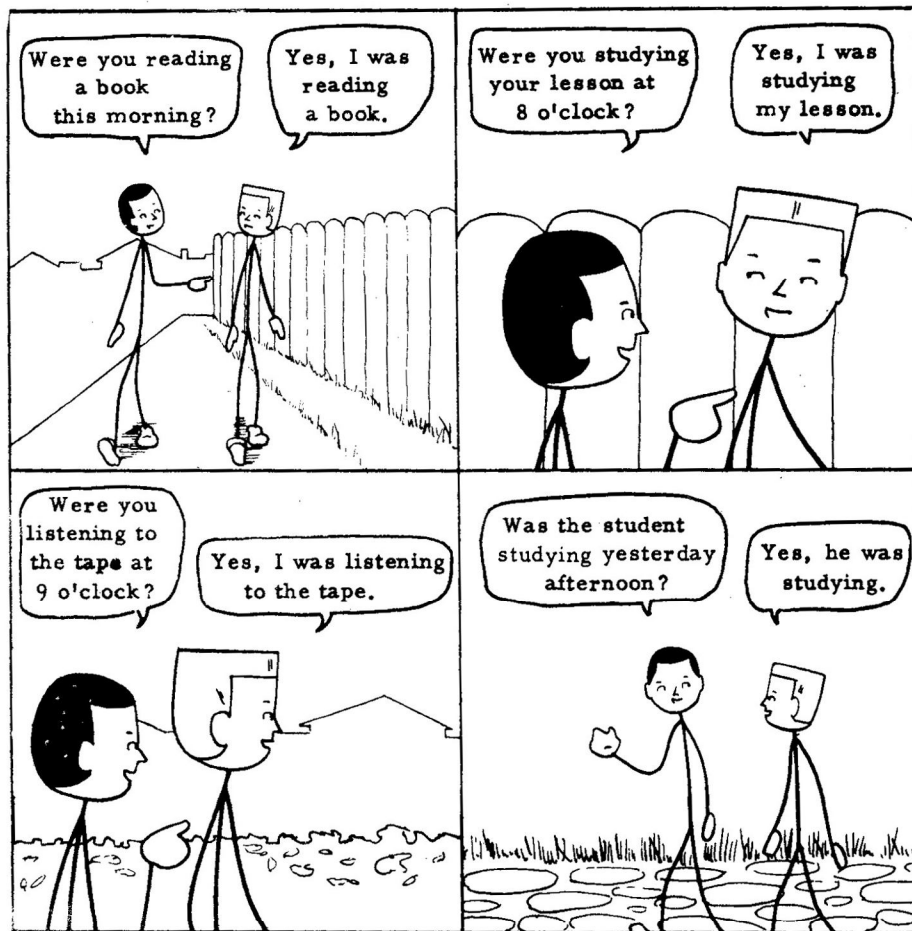
Past Progressive/Past

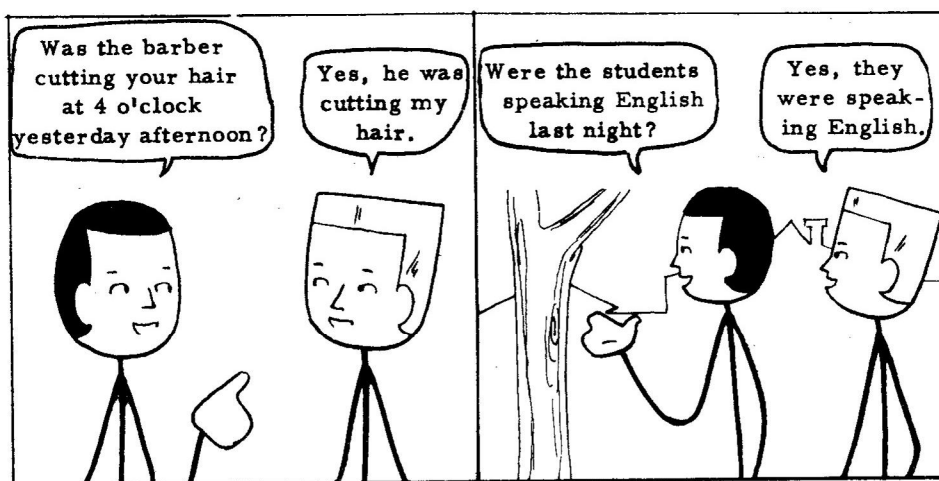
Sound and Intonation

Pronunciation of Past Tense Ending "-ed"

CONVERSATION AND READING PRACTICES

Practice the conversation.





Repetition practice

A: Were you reading a book this morning?

B: Yes, I was reading a book.

A: Were you studying your lesson at 8 o'clock?

B: Yes, I was studying my lesson.

A: Were you listening to the tape at 9 o'clock?

B: Yes, I was listening to the tape.

A: Was the student studying yesterday afternoon?

B: Yes, he was studying.

A: Was the barber cutting your hair at 4 o'clock yesterday afternoon?

B: Yes, he was cutting my hair.

A: Were the students speaking English last night?

B: Yes, they were speaking English.



Repetition practice

A: Weren't you reading this book this morning?

B: No, I wasn't. I was reading that book over there.

A: Weren't you studying your lesson at 8 o'clock?

B: No, I wasn't. I was writing a letter at 8 o'clock.

A: Weren't you listening to the tape at 9 o'clock?

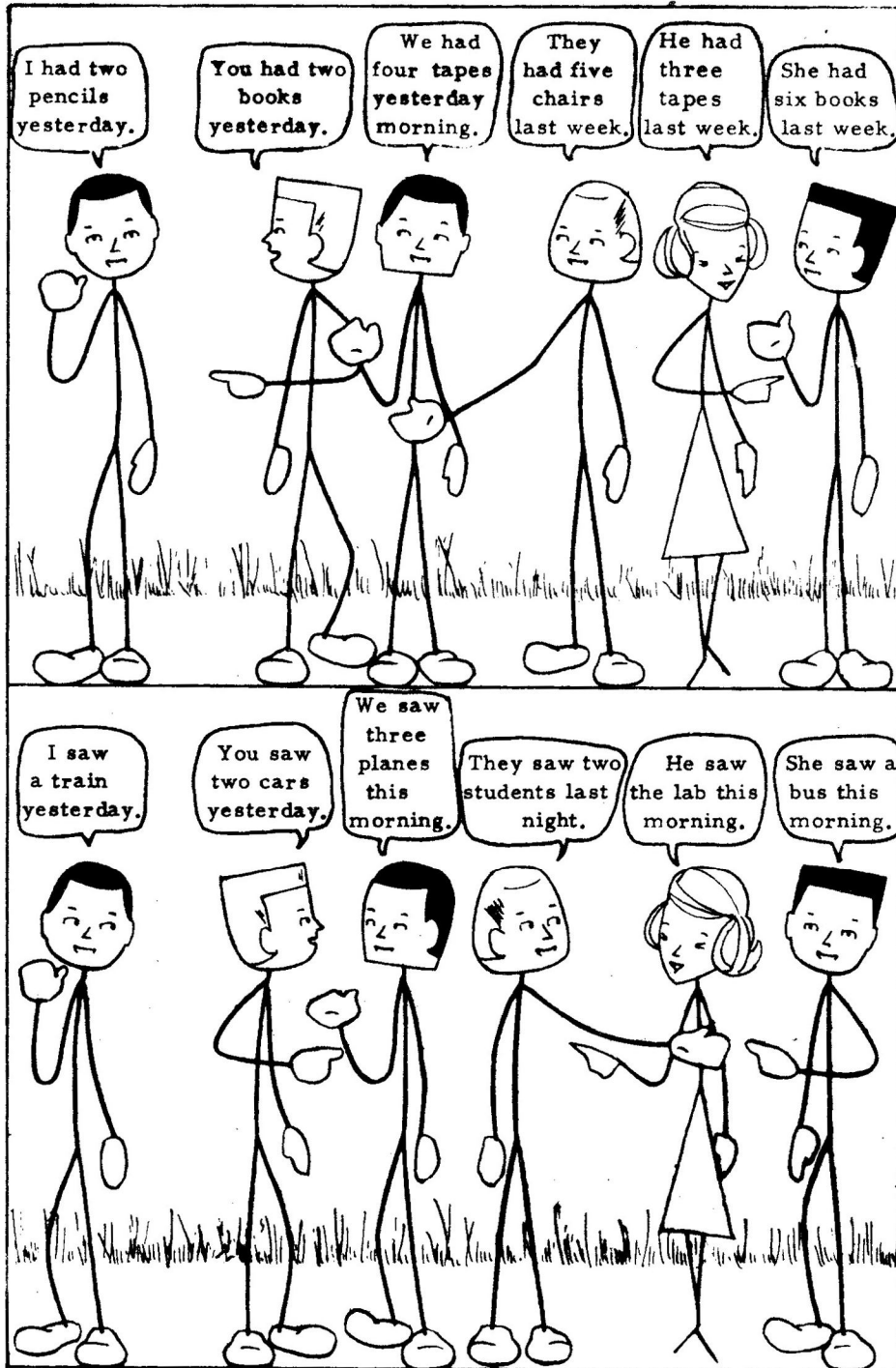
B: No, I wasn't. I was eating breakfast at 9 o'clock.

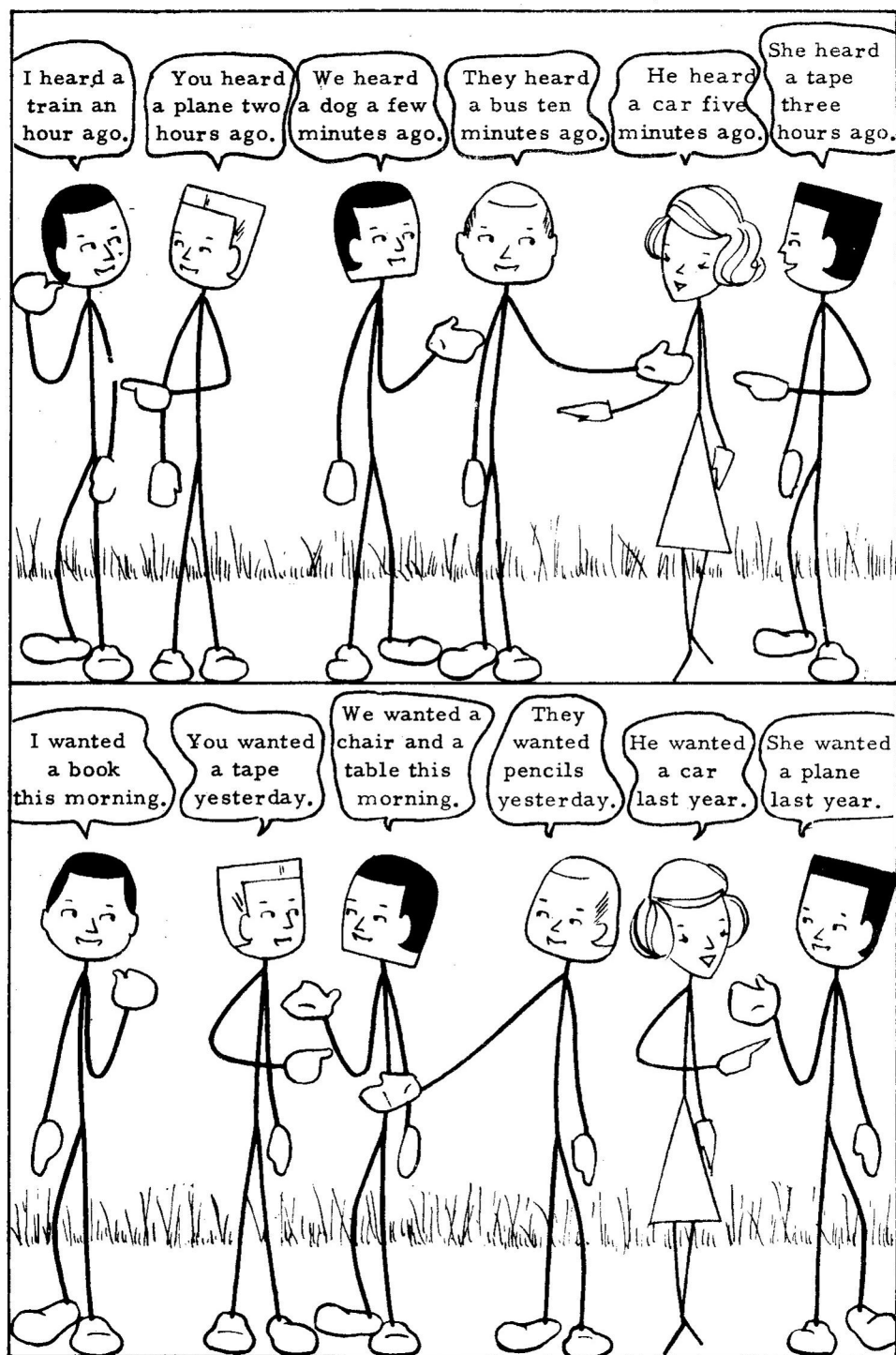
A: Wasn't the student studying his lesson yesterday afternoon?

B: No, he wasn't. He was reading a book yesterday afternoon.

A: Wasn't the barber cutting your hair at 4 o'clock yesterday afternoon?

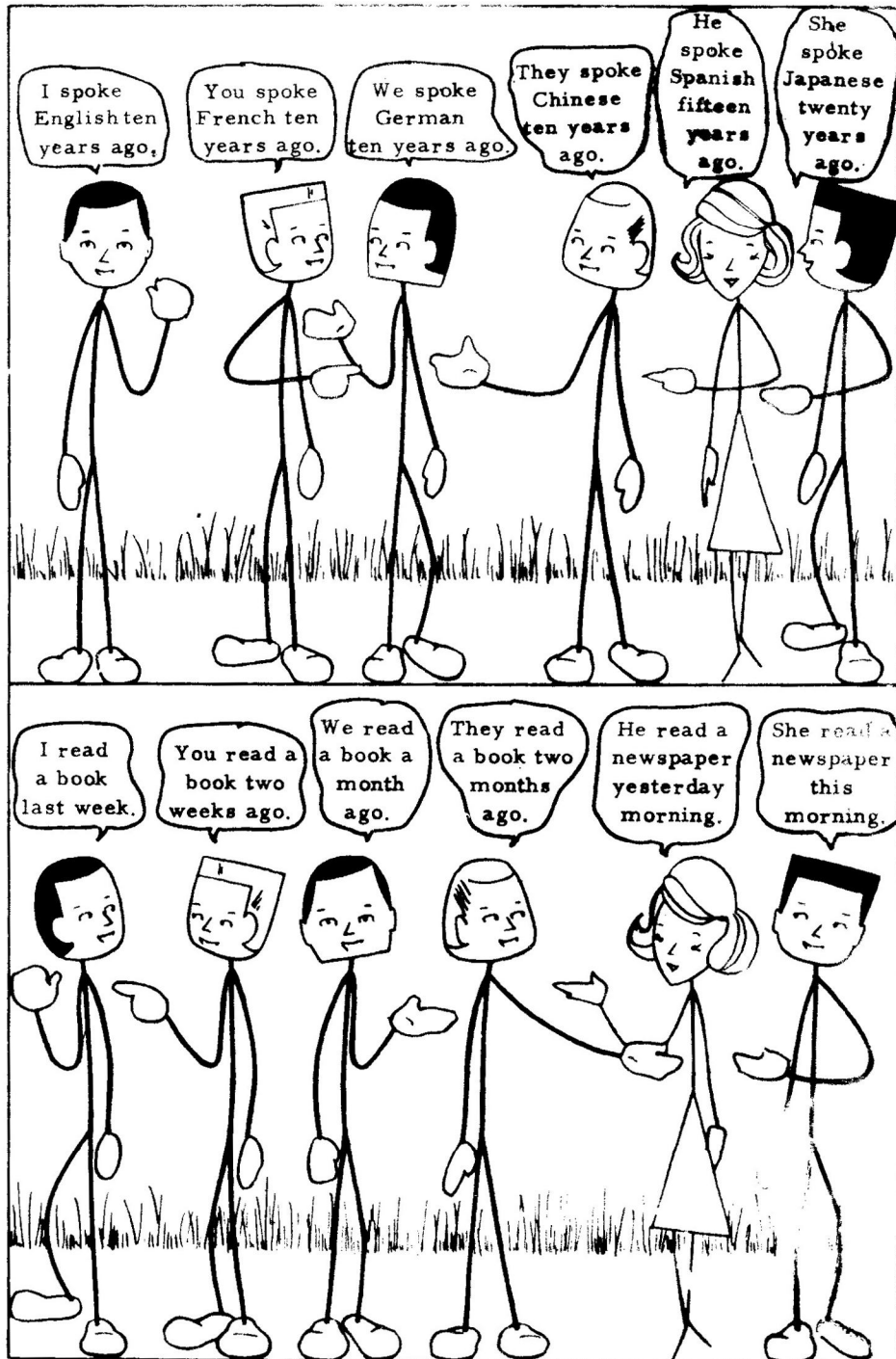
B: No, he wasn't. He was reading a newspaper at 4 o'clock.

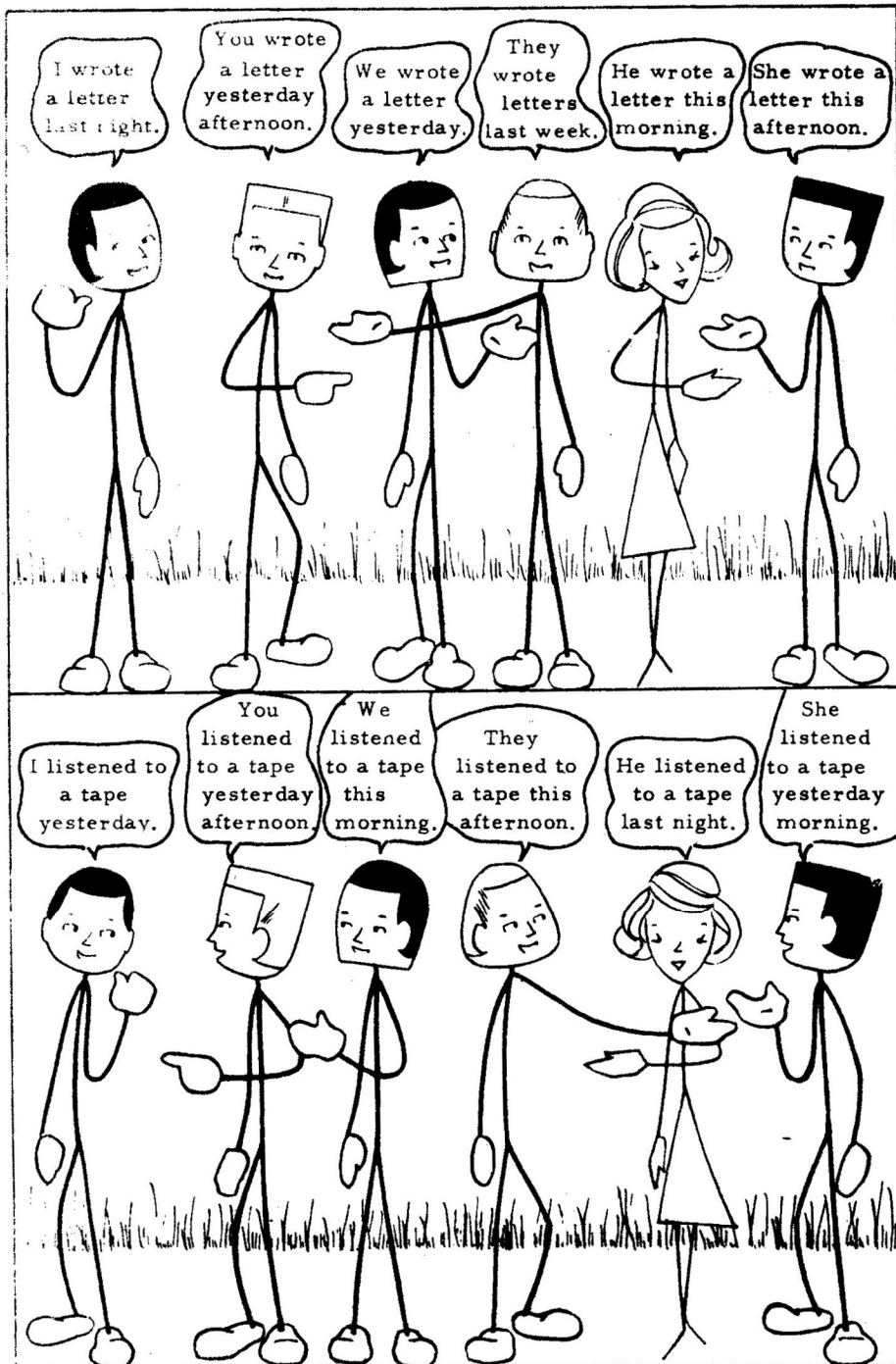
Action Verbs - Past Tense - Affirmative Statements



Repetition practice

1. I had two pencils yesterday.
You had two books yesterday.
We had four tapes yesterday morning.
They had five chairs last week.
He had three tapes last week.
She had six books last week.
2. I saw a train yesterday.
You saw two cars yesterday.
We saw three planes this morning.
They saw two students last night.
He saw the lab this morning.
She saw a bus this morning.
3. I heard a train an hour ago.
You heard a plane two hours ago.
We heard a dog a few minutes ago.
They heard a bus ten minutes ago.
He heard a car five minutes ago.
She heard a tape three hours ago.
4. I wanted a book this morning.
You wanted a tape yesterday.
We wanted a chair and a table this morning.
They wanted pencils yesterday.
He wanted a car last year.
She wanted a plane last year.





Repetition practice

1. I spoke English ten years ago.
You spoke French ten years ago.
We spoke German ten years ago.
They spoke Chinese ten years ago.
He spoke Spanish fifteen years ago.
She spoke Japanese twenty years ago.
2. I read a book last week.
You read a book two weeks ago.
We read a book a month ago.
They read a book two months ago.
He read a newspaper yesterday morning.
She read a newspaper this morning.
3. I wrote a letter last night.
You wrote a letter yesterday afternoon.
We wrote a letter yesterday.
They wrote letters last week.
He wrote a letter this morning.
She wrote a letter this afternoon.
4. I listened to a tape yesterday.
You listened to a tape yesterday afternoon.
We listened to a tape yesterday afternoon.
They listened to a tape this afternoon.
He listened to a tape last night.
She listened to a tape yesterday morning.

EXPLANATION AND DRILL OF STRUCTURES

1. The Past Progressive Tense

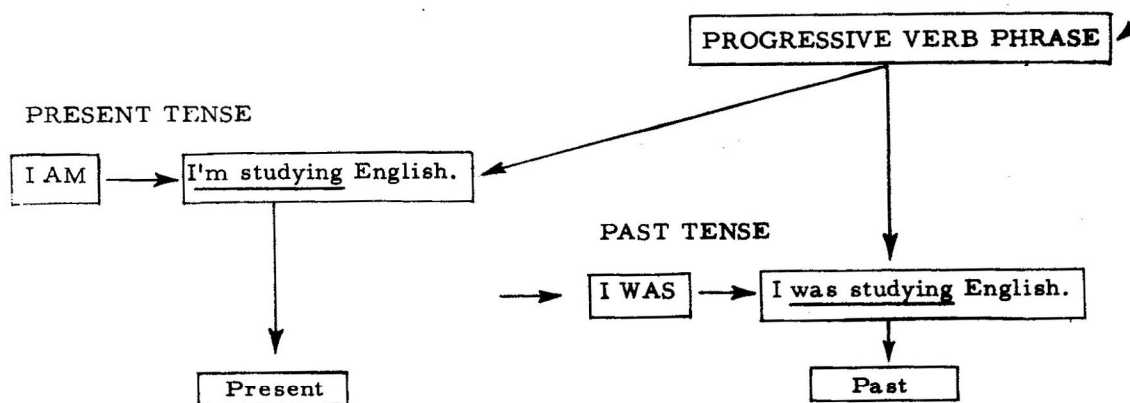
<u>Person</u>	<u>Singular</u>	<u>Plural</u>
1st	I was studying.	We were studying.
2nd	You were studying.	You were studying.
3rd	He, she, it was studying.	They were studying.

Repeat.

When were you studying your lesson?

1. I was studying my lesson at 1 o'clock.
2. I was studying my lesson at 2 o'clock.
3. I was studying my lesson at 3 o'clock.
4. I was studying my lesson at 4 o'clock.
5. I was studying my lesson at 5 o'clock.
6. I was studying my lesson at 6 o'clock.
7. I was studying my lesson at 7 o'clock.
8. I was studying my lesson at 8 o'clock.
9. I was studying my lesson at 9 o'clock.
10. I was studying my lesson at 10 o'clock.
11. I was studying my lesson at 11 o'clock.
12. I was studying my lesson at 12 o'clock.

IMPORTANT NOTE: Remember! Form of verb BE + ING — form of a verb
(present participle)



1. I'm studying English.
2. I'm reading a book.
3. He's writing a letter.
4. She's driving a car.
5. We're studying our lesson.
6. You're cutting my hair.

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Progressive Verb Phrase

Affirmative and Negative statements; Affirmative and Negative questions.

Form of BE + SPEAKING

<u>Statement</u>		
	<u>Present</u>	<u>Past</u>
Affirmative:	I'm speaking. He's speaking. You're speaking.	I was speaking. He was speaking. You were speaking.
Negative:	I'm not speaking. He isn't speaking. You aren't speaking.	I wasn't speaking. He wasn't speaking. You weren't speaking.

<u>Question</u>		
	<u>Present</u>	<u>Past</u>
Affirmative:	Am I speaking? Is he speaking? Are you speaking?	Was I speaking? Was he speaking? Were you speaking?
Negative:	xxxxxx Isn't he speaking? Aren't you speaking?	Wasn't I speaking? Wasn't he speaking? Weren't you speaking?

2. The Past Tense of Action Verbs - Affirmative Statements

a. Regular Verbs

Remember that you use the past tense forms of verbs in Affirmative Statements only.

There is One Verb Form.

There is One Ending "-ed."

Present

The students arrive early every day.
The class starts at 7:30 every day.
The students practice English every day.
The class ends at 8:15 every day.
The students hurry out every day.

Past

The students arrived early yesterday.
The class started at 7:30 yesterday.
The students practiced English yesterday.
The class ended at 8:15 yesterday.
The students hurried out yesterday.

- b. The "-ed" ending has three pronunciations: /t, d, ɪd/.

Pronounce these past tense endings.

	/t/	/d/	/ɪd/
Every day we wait for a bus. Yesterday we waited for a bus.			/ɪd/
Every day I study my lesson. Yesterday I studied my lesson.		/d/	
Every day the class ends late. Yesterday the class ended late.			/ɪd/
Every day he learns new words. Yesterday he learned new words.		/d/	
Every day they stop over there. Yesterday they stopped over there.	/t/		

Repeat.

/t/ after voiceless endings.

/d/ after voiced endings and vowels.

/ɪd/ after /t, d/.

- c. The past tense of most verbs in English is formed by adding "-ed" to the simple form of the verb.

The Past Tense of Work

<u>Person</u>	<u>Singular</u>	<u>Plural</u>
1st	I worked.	We worked.
2nd	You worked.	You worked.
3rd	He, she, it worked.	They worked.

Change to the Past Tense.

- I want a drink.
- He hopes to go home soon.
- He studies English every day.
- She looks at her notebook.
- The teacher opens the door.
- They walk to class.
- He arrives at six o'clock.
- They listen to TV.

Fill in the blanks with the correct form of the verbs in parentheses:
Present or Past Tense.

1. John _____ (stop) at the yellow light yesterday.
2. He _____ (walk) here every day.
3. I _____ (study) last night.
4. I _____ (open) my book a few minutes ago.
5. She _____ (like) the movie last night.
6. He _____ (close) the windows every day.
7. He _____ (close) the windows last night.
8. He _____ (smoke) a pipe last year.

Change from the Past to the Present Tense.

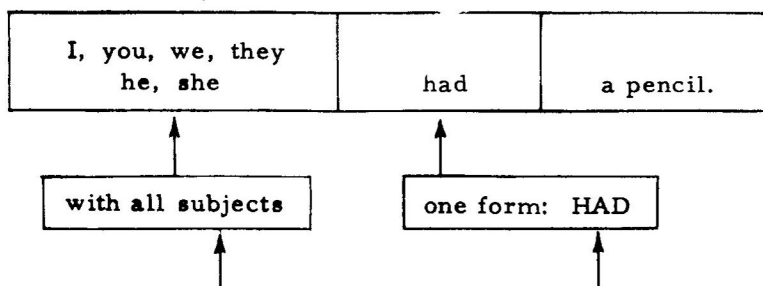
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| 1. She closed the door. | 4. They all smoked cigarettes. |
| 2. He opened the window. | 5. He looked out the window. |
| 3. They studied every night. | 6. They worked together. |

d. Irregular Verbs

Memorize the past tense form of Irregular Verbs.

<u>Verb</u>	<u>Past Tense Form</u>
have	had
see	saw
hear	heard
speak	spoke
read	read
write	wrote
fly	flew
eat	ate
drive	drove
sleep	slept

(1) Past Tense of Have



(2) Repeat these Time Expressions.

MINUTE	<u>a minute ago</u>	<u>two minutes ago</u>	<u>three... etc.</u>
HOUR	<u>an hour ago</u>	<u>two hours ago</u>	
DAY	<u>a day ago</u>	<u>two days ago</u>	
WEEK	<u>a week ago</u>	<u>two weeks ago</u>	
MONTH	<u>a month ago</u>	<u>two months ago</u>	
YEAR	<u>a year ago</u>	<u>two years ago</u>	

Past time → We read a book a month ago.
 She heard a tape three hours ago.
 He heard a car five minutes ago.
 We spoke German ten years ago.

(3) Substitute.

- I read the book _____.
- You wrote a letter _____.
- He heard a train _____.
- They studied their lesson
_____.

- yesterday
- yesterday morning
- yesterday afternoon
- last night
- this morning
- last week
- an hour ago
- three days ago

3. The Past Progressive / The Past

<u>A Progressing Action</u>		<u>A Completed Action</u>
We <u>were walking</u> to class	(when)	I <u>saw</u> him.
I <u>was studying</u>	(when)	the telephone <u>rang</u> .
We <u>were smoking</u>	(when)	the break <u>ended</u> .
(While) he <u>was shaving</u>		he <u>cut</u> his face.
(While) he <u>was swimming</u>		he <u>hurt</u> his ankle.
The students <u>were talking</u>	(when)	the teacher <u>came in</u> .

Remember that the Past Progressive Tense is usually not used alone. It describes an action which was progressing. It is usually used with another completed action.

Past Progressive

I was reading

when

Past

he left.

a. Change the verbs in parentheses to the Past Progressive Tense.

1. The students (talk) when the teacher came in.
2. While I (drive) downtown I had a flat.
3. They (listen to) the tape when it broke.
4. When you telephone, I (study) my lesson.
5. We were (sit) outside when the rain started.
6. He put on his jacket, because he (get) cold.
7. They (eat) lunch, when we got there.
8. The maid (clean) the room, when I got to the barracks.
9. He (run) when he fell down.
10. While he (take) his examination, his pencil point broke.
11. He (swim) when I saw him.
12. The sun (shine) when I got up.

b. Fill the blanks with a correct form, the Past Tense or the Past Progressive Tense.

1. He _____ (talk) with Mary, when Mrs. Smith came in.
2. They _____ (study) two hours last night.
3. She _____ (sleep) when the telephone rang.
4. While I _____ (walk) to the lab, I met my friend.
5. We _____ (watch) TV last night.
6. He _____ (pay) his check, when he dropped a dollar bill.
7. He _____ (cut) my hair yesterday.
8. He _____ (play) ball when he hurt his ankle.
9. It _____ (rain) hard when I got up.
10. It _____ (rain) hard last night.

c. Change the following to Negative Statement and Affirmative Question forms.

1. It was raining when I got up.
2. He was driving fast when he had a flat.
3. He was buying a magazine when I saw him.
4. She was sleeping when I called her.
5. He was swimming when he got a cold.
6. It was beginning to rain when we started.
7. He was reading a book, when he fell asleep.
8. He was shaving, when we arrived.
9. He was frying eggs, when he burned his hand.
10. They were taking a break when the officers arrived.
11. The wind was blowing when they got home.
12. He was writing a letter when he dropped his pen.

d. Supply the correct Past or Past Progressive Forms of the verbs in parentheses.

1. She (eat) lunch when the telephone (ring).
2. He was still (sleep) when his friends (leave) for class.
3. It (rain) hard this morning when we (go) to lab.
4. He was (live) in Bogotá when I last (see) him.
5. While I (shave) I (cut) my face.
6. It was (begin) to rain when the bus (come).
7. They were (turn out) the lights when we (leave).
8. The other students (write) when I (leave).
9. They were (turn on) the lights when we (see) them.
10. He (leave) while I (study) my lesson.

TAPE 1109A

Repeat.

this morning
yesterday afternoon
last night

at 1 o'clock
at 2 o'clock
at 3 o'clock
at 4 o'clock
at 5 o'clock
at 6 o'clock
at 7 o'clock
at 8 o'clock
at 9 o'clock
at 10 o'clock
at 11 o'clock
at 12 o'clock

reading
studying
listening to
cutting
speaking

you were reading
we were reading
they were reading

he was reading
she was reading
I was reading

Were you reading?
Were we reading?
Were they reading?

Was he reading?
Was she reading?
Was I reading?

Weren't you reading?
Weren't we reading?
Weren't they reading?

Wasn't he reading?
Wasn't she reading?
Wasn't I reading?

my lesson
your lesson
our lesson
their lesson

his lesson
her lesson

the lesson
a lesson

my tape
your tape
our tape
their tape

his tape
her tape

the tape
a tape

No, you weren't.
No, we weren't.
No, they weren't.

No, he wasn't.
No, she wasn't
No, I wasn't.

one o'clock	seven o'clock
two o'clock	eight o'clock
three o'clock	nine o'clock
four o'clock	ten o'clock
five o'clock	eleven o'clock
six o'clock	twelve o'clock

Review pronunciation practice.Exercise 1. Questions and answers.Repeat.

1. Were you reading a book this morning?
Yes, I was reading a book.
2. Were you studying your lesson at 8 o'clock?
Yes, I was studying my lesson.
3. Were you listening to the tape at 9 o'clock?
Yes, I was listening to the tape.
4. Was the student studying yesterday afternoon?
Yes, he was studying.
5. Was the barber cutting your hair at 4 o'clock yesterday afternoon?
Yes, he was cutting my hair.
6. Were the students speaking English last night?
Yes, they were speaking English.

Conversation practice: Record the answers to questions 1 through 6.

Listen to the question; then record the answer.

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| 1. _____ | 4. _____ |
| 2. _____ | 5. _____ |
| 3. _____ | 6. _____ |

Exercise 2. Questions and answers.Repeat.

1. Weren't you reading this book this morning?
No, I wasn't.
I was reading that book over there.
2. Weren't you studying your lesson at 8 o'clock?
No, I wasn't.
I was writing a letter at 8 o'clock.
3. Weren't you listening to the tape at 9 o'clock?
No, I wasn't.
I was eating breakfast at 9 o'clock.
4. Wasn't the student studying his lesson yesterday afternoon?
No, he wasn't.
He was reading a book yesterday afternoon.

TAPE 1109B

Repeat.

have see hear want	had saw heard wanted	last night last week last month last year	
speake read write listen to	spoke read wrote listened to	a minute ago an hour ago a day ago a week ago a month ago a year ago	two minutes ago two hours ago two days ago two weeks ago two months ago two years ago
yesterday yesterday morning yesterday afternoon			

Review pronunciation practice.Exercise 1. Past Tense FormsRepeat.

- I had.
You had.
We had.
They had.
He had.
She had.

I had two pencils yesterday.
You had two books yesterday.
We had four tapes yesterday morning.
They had five chairs last week.
He had three tapes last week.
She had six books last week
- I saw.
You saw.
We saw.
They saw.
He saw.
She saw.

I saw a train yesterday.
You saw two cars yesterday.
We saw three planes this morning.
They saw two students last night.
He saw the lab this morning.
She saw a bus this morning.
- I heard.
You heard.
We heard.
They heard.
He heard.
She heard.

I heard a train an hour ago.
You heard a plane two hours ago.
We heard a dog a few minutes ago.
They heard a bus ten minutes ago.
He heard a car five minutes ago.
She heard a tape three hours ago.
- I wanted.
You wanted.
We wanted.
They wanted.
He wanted.
She wanted.

I wanted a book this morning.
You wanted a tape yesterday.
We wanted a chair and a table this morning.
They wanted pencils yesterday.
He wanted a car last year.
She wanted a plane last year.

Exercise 2. Past Tense forms.Repeat.

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| 1. I spoke. | I spoke English ten years ago. |
| You spoke. | You spoke French ten years ago. |
| We spoke. | We spoke German ten years ago. |
| They spoke. | They spoke Chinese ten years ago. |
| He spoke. | He spoke Spanish fifteen years ago. |
| She spoke. | She spoke Japanese twenty years ago. |
| 2. I read. | I read a book last week. |
| You read. | You read a book two weeks ago. |
| We read. | We read a book a month ago. |
| They read. | They read a book two months ago. |
| He read. | He read a newspaper yesterday morning. |
| She read. | She read a newspaper this morning. |
| 3. I wrote. | I wrote a letter last night. |
| You wrote. | You wrote a letter yesterday afternoon. |
| We wrote. | We wrote a letter yesterday. |
| They wrote. | They wrote a letter this morning. |
| He wrote. | He wrote a letter this morning. |
| She wrote. | She wrote a letter this afternoon. |
| 4. I listened to | I listened to a tape yesterday. |
| You listened to | You listened to a tape yesterday afternoon. |
| We listened to | We listened to a tape this morning. |
| They listened to | They listened to a tape this afternoon. |
| He listened to | He listened to a tape last night. |
| She listened to | She listened to a tape yesterday morning. |

Exercise 3. Names of languages.Repeat.

English
French
German
Chinese
Spanish
Japanese

Persian
Urdu
Hindi
Italian
Portuguese
Greek

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|---|---|
| 1. Do you speak English?
Yes, I speak English. | 4. Do you speak Chinese?
Yes, I speak Chinese. |
| 2. Do you speak French?
Yes, I speak French. | 5. Do you speak Spanish?
Yes, I speak Spanish. |
| 3. Do you speak German?
Yes, I speak German. | 6. Do you speak Japanese?
Yes, I speak Japanese. |

TAPE 1109C

Listen to a conversation at a gas station.

Good afternoon. What can we do for you?

Good afternoon. I need some gas.

How much please?

Fill it.

Shall I check under the hood?

Yes, please.

Your oil is a quart low.

Give me a quart of light oil.
Do you have any anti-freeze?

Yes, we do.

I need a gallon, please.
It's getting cold, isn't it?

Sure is.

Repeat everything you hear.

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Good afternoon. I need some gas.

How much please?

Fill it.

Shall I check under the hood?

Yes, please.

Your oil is a quart low.

Give me a quart of light oil.
Do you have any anti-freeze?

Yes, we do.

I need a gallon, please.
It's getting cold, isn't it?

Sure is.

SOUND AND INTONATION

Listen and repeat.

light	lighted	/ id /
want	wanted	/ id /
need	needed	/ id /

jump	jumped	/ t /
check	checked	/ t /
hope	hoped	/ t /
smoke	smoked	/ t /
work	worked	/ t /

listen	listened	/ d /
remember	remembered	/ d /
study	studied	/ d /
open	opened	/ d /
close	closed	/ d /
fill	filled	/ d /
prepare	prepared	/ d /
shave	shaved	/ d /
live	lived	/ d /

Repeat.

What were you doing yesterday at 5 o'clock?
I was studying.

Wasn't he speaking French?
No, he was speaking Spanish.

Were they speaking correctly?
Yes, they were.

What was he explaining?
He was explaining the new words.

What were they drinking?
They were drinking coffee.

What was he buying?
He was buying gas.

Was it getting colder?
Yes, it was.

Repeat.

Today I have a test.
Yesterday I had a test.

I smoke every day.
I smoked yesterday.

I study at night.
I studied last night.

He fills the car every week.
He filled the car last week.

He's here now.
He wasn't here this morning.

We go to class on Monday.
We went to town on Saturday.

I read my lesson every night.
I read my lesson last night.

Repeat.

Was he explaining the lesson?
Yes, he was explaining when I came in.

Was he checking the bulletin board?
Yes, he checked while I was waiting.

Were the classes getting easier?
They were getting easier when I left.

What were you doing when he called?
I was writing a letter when he called.

Was it running O. K. ?
Yes, it was running fine when we left.