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Subject: English language

Class: V

Topic: Past Tense

Good Morning Students

Today we will study and understand about Past Tense (Simple Past, Past Continuous)

Simple Past Tense

It refers to an action that was completed in the past or was a past habit.

eg: They played a prank on Manju

* the verb played refers to an action that happened in the past.

We use expression of time like yesterday, last week and last month with the simple past tense.

eg: They played a prank on Manju last week.

- * My grandmother returned from Delhi last month.
- * Last week I ate an ice cream.
- * I went to the market yesterday.
- * I met my aunt at the station.
- * I knew the answer to that question.
- * The Indian team won the match.
- * The bird flew over the tree.

Past Continuous Tense

It describes actions that continued for some time in the past.

We use was/were + ing form of the verb to form the past continuous tense.

It is also used to show that an action was continuing for some time when a second action happened.

(The second action is usually in the simple past tense.)

Eg: Bablu was cycling all morning yesterday.

I was playing with my friends. The verbs 'was cycling' and 'was playing' describes actions that happened for some time in the past!

Eg: They were playing a prank on Minu when the teacher caught them.

* They were already swimming when I reached the pool.

* Mother was cooking in the kitchen when the guests came.

* The baby was playing with its doll when I entered the room.

* It was raining when I woke up.

* Sam and Tom were hiding behind the curtain while playing hide-and-seek.

* Mona was going to the market when I met her.

Simple Past Tense

Kindly note down these sentences in your fair note books.

1. Anna _____ a portrait of an old man. (draw.)
2. She _____ (observe) the man who _____ (stand) near her.
3. She _____ (move) her pencil slowly across the canvas.
4. The teacher _____ (teach) us a new chapter yesterday.
5. It _____ (be) a little difficult, but he _____ (explain) very clearly.
6. We _____ (understand) the chapter well and _____ (be) confident.
7. We _____ (solve) the questions that followed the lesson.
8. As a child, I _____ (attend) the karate classes.

Past Continuous Tense

Kindly note down these sentences in your fair note books.

1. I was watching a play. (watch)
2. Raman and his friends were playing basket ball. (play)
3. I was not watching a play. (watch)
4. Mahi was reading a book when the lights went out. (read)
5. We were driving home when our neighbours called. (drive)
6. The boys were playing football when it started raining. (play)
7. Hazel was baking cookies when the doorbell rang. (bake.)
8. My friend was painting the fence the whole afternoon. (paint).