



Basic English

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Unit 3 Lesson 8 - Esta felt under the weather.

Describe the picture using the past continuous tense.
Use the verbs provided.



Sentences:

e.g. *They were smiling while doing homework.*

1 sit

2 drink coffee

3 write

4 have fun



Introduce today's sentences.



Grammar Focus

- while + long action (Past Continuous)
- when + short action (Past Simple)
- Adverb Placement

Key Expressions

- Esta was beginning to feel ill when she arrived home.
- Her dad was taking care of her while she was lying on the bed.
- She was already drifting off after taking some medicines.



Listen to the teacher and repeat.



under the weather



take care of



drift off




take some medicines

An illustration of a family in a living room. A woman in a grey hijab and brown top sits on a grey sofa, holding a white bowl. A young girl in a yellow shirt and black hijab sits on the sofa, looking unwell with her hand to her face. A man in a brown t-shirt and dark pants stands next to her, holding a white cup. A wooden coffee table is in the foreground. The background shows a window with yellow curtains and a lamp.

Listen to the audio and repeat.

It was a Monday and Esta felt under the weather. She practiced skating yesterday while it was raining.

Esta was beginning to feel ill when she arrived home. Her dad was taking care of her while she was lying on the couch. Her mom was cooking soup to help her feel warm. “Honey, don’t push yourself too hard. You can learn to skate slowly,” her mom said. Esta politely agreed and **she was already drifting off after taking some medicines.** The next morning, she was still feeling unwell and had to rest at home.



Learn the grammar structures.

While

ongoing action

When

finished action

- **While** and **When** are
- conjunctions related to the past.

while + long action (Past Continuous)

Jim was driving **while** his sister
was watching him from the sidelines.

While they **were relaxing** at the hotel,
we were preparing for the party.

when + short action (Past Simple)

I was making dinner **when** my mom
called on the telephone.

When Jane **announced** that she is
pregnant, they were cheering loudly.

Give more example sentences using **while** and **when**.



Learn the grammar.



Adverb Placement

adverbs are placed after the past form of “be”

- She was **already** drifting off after taking some medicines.
- Grandma was **always** telling us funny stories about her youth.
- They were **constantly** arguing during high school.
- I was **just** studying when you came in.

List of Adverbs

- *already*
- *always*
- *constantly*
- *just*
- *forever*
- *only*
- *never*
- *ever*
- *still*

Choose the appropriate adverb to complete the sentences.

always

already

still

forever

just

constantly

1 We were _____ spending so much time in traffic.


2 She was _____ taking a bath but the bus already left.

3 Mark was _____ talking which annoyed everyone.

4 I was _____ eating my breakfast but dad was still sleeping.

5 JM was _____ losing his wallet.

6 They were _____ staying at home because of the rain.



Fill in the correct form of the verb.

1. Our team (have) a meeting when the fire (happen)
2. While they (watch) a movie, they (eat) popcorn.
3. Anna (sing) while Lee and Jay (play) the guitar.
4. I (do) my report when the lights (go out)
5. You (not listen) when I (tell) you to turn off the TV.
6. Ed (run) with all his might while he (shout) her name.
7. When we (get off) the plane, Sam (already wait)



Situation: You were curious about how your friend spent his/her day yesterday.

Ask questions about your friend's schedule.

---- while vs. when

---- Wh-question + past continuous



Read what we learned today.



Word Focus

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- drift off take some medicines

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