**Simple Past vs. Past Continuous**

**الماضي البسيط و الماضي المستمر**

**First//Simple Past الماضي البسيط**

**Form \*\*\*A ( Past tense /v2- liked/took ) B\*\*\*\*\*(Be (was/were)**

**Negative …didn’t+v1 ( didn’t like ..wasn’t/weren’t+………….**

**Question : Did +subject+v1 +….+? Ex .Did he come early ? Was/Were +…..Ex. Was he here?**

**Usage استخدامه**

***We use simple past tense to describe an action that started and ended in the past with a adverb of time that shows the time***

 ***Simple past Adverb of time***

***He came yesterday.***

***\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*References/adverbs of time used with the simple past are….. الدلائل على استخدام الماضي البسيط***

 ***\*\*Yesterday, ago, in +year in the past, ( in 2017, in 2008 , two days ago, ….***

 ***\*\*Last+time ( last year,last month ),in those days, previously***

***Examples;***

1. ***I visited them last month***
2. ***He helped me yesterday***
3. ***He came two months ago***

**Second //Past Continuous الماضي المستمر**

**Form \*\*\*A (was/were+ vi+ing ) …was sleeping**

**Negative ..wasn’t/weren’t+ vi+ing ) ………. Wasn’t sleeping**

**Question : Was/Were +subject+v1 + vi+ing ) ..Ex. Was he sleeping when I saw him?**

**Usage استخدامه**

**It is used to describe TWO actions in the past ,one was happening when another action intersected it…..**

**يستخدم الماضي المستمر للتعبيرعن فعلان او عملان احداهما كان مستمرا في الحدوث عندما قاطعه فعل اخر في الماضي ,فالذي كان مستمرا في الحدوث -الفعل الطويل- ياخذ ماضي مستمر was/were+v1+ing والذي قاطعه -الفعل القصير -ياخذ ماضي بسيط V2**

**ويستخدم مع التراكيب/القوانين الثلاث التاليه:**

**1. When +subject +Simple Past , Subject +was/were+v1 +ing**

**Simple Past was/were+v1 +ing**

 ***Example .When I saw him , he was sleeping***

**2. While + Subject +was/were+v1 +ing, subject +Simple Past**

**Example . While I was sleeping, he came .**

**3. As+ Subject +was/were+v1 +ing , subject +Simple Past**

 **Example : As she was cooking, they arrived**

**4.Specific time in the past---- at 9 o'clock yesterday, at 8 last year**

Examples:

* I **was watching** TV when she called.
* When the phone rang, she **was writing** a letter.
* While we **were having** the picnic, it started to rain.
* What **were** you **doing** when the earthquake started?
* As John **was sleeping**, someone stole his car.