



Past Continuous: Wh- Questions

Fill in the blank with the correct option.

1. What ___ you doing at 10 pm last night?
a) are
b) was
c) were
d) did
2. Where ___ she going when you saw her?
a) were
b) was
c) did
d) is
3. Why ___ the children crying?
a) are
b) was
c) did
d) were
4. Who ___ talking on the phone when I arrived?
a) was
b) were
c) is
d) did
5. What ___ they discussing in the meeting?
a) did
b) were
c) are
d) was
6. How ___ you feeling yesterday morning?
a) were
b) are
c) was
d) did
7. Where ___ the dog hiding during the storm?
a) is
b) were
c) was
d) did
8. What ___ happening when the police arrived?
a) is
b) was
c) were
d) did
9. Why ___ he wearing sunglasses inside?
a) was
b) did
c) were
d) is
10. Who ___ waiting outside the building?
a) was
b) is
c) were
d) did
11. What time ___ they leaving when you called?
a) are
b) did
c) was
d) were



Answers

1. c) were
2. b) was
3. d) were
4. a) was
5. b) were
6. a) were
7. c) was
8. b) was
9. a) was
10. a) was
11. d) were
12. a) were
13. d) was
14. c) were
15. d) was
16. b) were
17. a) was
18. c) was
19. c) was
20. a) were



Explanations

1. “were” (c)

Structure: What + were + you + doing? Use 'were' with 'you'.

2. “was” (b)

Structure: Where + was + she + going? Use 'was' with 'she'.

3. “were” (d)

Structure: Why + were + the children + crying? Use 'were' with plural subjects.

4. “was” (a)

When 'who' refers to one person, use 'was'. 'Who was talking...?'

5. “were” (b)

Structure: What + were + they + discussing? Use 'were' with 'they'.

6. “were” (a)

Structure: How + were + you + feeling? Use 'were' with 'you'.

7. “was” (c)

Structure: Where + was + the dog + hiding? Use 'was' with singular subjects.

8. “was” (b)

Structure: What + was + happening? 'What' as subject takes singular verb.

9. “was” (a)

Structure: Why + was + he + wearing? Use 'was' with 'he'.

10. “was” (a)

When asking about an unknown person, 'who' typically takes 'was'.

11. “were” (d)

Structure: What time + were + they + leaving? Use 'were' with 'they'.

12. “were” (a)

Structure: Where + were + you + living? Use 'were' with 'you'.

13. “was” (d)

Structure: How fast + was + he + driving? Use 'was' with 'he'.

14. “were” (c)

Structure: What + were + your parents + doing? Use 'were' with plural subjects.

15. “was” (d)

Structure: Why + was + the baby + crying? Use 'was' with singular subjects.

16. “were” (b)

Structure: Which song + were + they + playing? Use 'were' with 'they'.

17. “was” (a)

Structure: Where + was + I + sitting? Use 'was' with 'I'.

18. “was” (c)

When 'who' refers to one person, use 'was'.

19. “was” (c)

'Everyone' is grammatically singular, so use 'was'.

20. “were” (a)

Structure: How long + were + you + waiting? Use 'were' with 'you'.