

THE SIMPLE PAST PROGRESSIVE

Eo an-kilan'ny simple past tense, dia misy ny atao hoe simple past progressive.

1. Affirmative form/ Endrika milaza zavatra:

Toy izao no firafitry ny fitanisana azy:

Subject + to be (simple past) + verbing

<u>TO WORK</u>	<u>TO WALK</u>
I was working	I was walking
You were working	You were walking
He / She / It was working	He / She / It was walking
We were working	We were walking
You were working	You were walking
They were working	They were walking

Examples:

- I **was looking** for a job. / *Nitady asa aho.*
- You **were working** in your office. / *Niasa tao amin'ny biraonao ianao.*
- Brad **was taking** a walk around the city. / *Nandehandeha nanerana ny renivohitra i Brad.*

2. Interrogative form/ Endrika manontany

Toy izao no firafitry ny simple past progressive amin'ny endrika manontany:

To be (simple past) + subject + verbing

Examples:

- **Were you learning** your lessons? / *Nianatra lesonao ve ianao?*
- **Was he cleaning** the living room? / *Nanadio ny trano fandraisam-bahiny ve izy?*
- **Were John and Vick playing** video games? / *Nilalao jeux vidéo ve i John sy Vick?*

3. Negative form/ Endrika mandà

Toy izao no firafitry ny simple present progressive amin'ny endrika mandà:

Subject + to be (simple past) + NOT + verbing

Examples:

to look for: mitady

job: asa

to work: miasa

office: birao

to take a walk: mandehandeha

around: manodidina

city: renivohitra

to learn: mianatra

lesson: lesona

to clean: manadio

living room: efitrano
fandraisam-bahiny

to play: milalao

video game: lalao video

to stay: mijanona

hotel: hotely

to wash: manasa

cloth: akanjo

to wait for: miandry

- I **was not staying** in a hotel./ *Tsy nijanona tany amin'ny hotely aho.*
- We **were not washing** clothes./ *Tsy nanasa lamba izahay.*
- They **were not waiting** for me./ *Tsy niandry ahy izy ireo.*

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