

Verbs in the Past	
Preterit	Imperfect
I VERB 'ed	I used to VERB I was VERB ing
1) Completed action or event ●	1) Ongoing action ↻↻↻
2) Specific Limited Time ■	2) Habitual action ↻↻↻
3) Or specific start or time ^	3) General time ☁
	4) Weather
	5) Age
	6) Time
	7) Describe People/Things (Pretty, tall, blond) Situations and locations
	8) Physical/Emotional States: sick, happy, mad
<p>Rule of WHEN/WHILE</p> <p style="text-align: center;"><u>Interrupting Action (pre</u> Ongoing or Interrupted action (imperfect)</p> <p style="text-align: center;">(Sets the stage for another event)</p> <div style="display: flex; justify-content: space-between; align-items: center;"> <div style="border: 2px solid black; padding: 5px; width: 15%;"> WHEN (preterit) CUANDO (preterit) </div> <div style="text-align: center; width: 70%;"> <p>I was speaking (<i>imp</i>) WHEN she entered (<u>pret</u>) the room.</p> <p>WHEN she arrived (<u>pret</u>) , I was speaking (<i>imp</i>).</p> <p>Emperor Nero fiddled (<u>pret</u>) WHILE Rome burned (<i>imp</i>)</p> <p>WHILE the kids (<i>imp</i>) studied , mom made (<u>pret</u>).</p> </div> <div style="border: 2px solid black; padding: 5px; width: 15%;"> WHILE (imperfect) MIENTRAS (imp) </div> </div>	

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