

## Objective :

talking about past events with  
sudden interruptions

=preterit **be+Ving** / preterit **Ved**

Example :

I **was** **having** breakfast when the phone **rang**

(rang = preterit for ring)

# Look, repeat and remember



He **was** having a bath **when** the phone **rang**



when



# Now speak...



They **were** cook---  
dinner **when**  
someone knock**ed** on  
the door



**when**



# Now speak...



They **were** cook**ING**  
dinner **when**  
someone knock**ed** on  
the door



**when**





She **w--** run--- **when**  
a storm **broke** out



when





She **was** running  
when a storm **broke**  
out



when





They **w---** driv---  
**when** a car accident  
happen --



**when**





They **were** driving  
**when** a car accident  
happened



when





## Hear-heard-heard



She **w--** wait--- at the bus stop **when** she **heard** a terrible noise



when



## Hear-heard-heard



She **was** waiting at the bus stop **when** she **heard** a terrible noise



when



Break broke broken



She **w--** tak--- a  
shower **when**  
someone **b-----** into  
the house



when



Break broke broken



She **was** taking a shower **when** someone **broke** into the house



when



Break broke broken



He --- fish--- when a  
storm b----- out



when



Break broke broken



He **was** fishing **when**  
a storm **broke** out



when



Hit hit hit



They ---- argu----  
**when** all of the  
sudden, one man ----  
the other in the face



when



Hit hit hit



They **were** arguing  
**when** all of the  
sudden, one man **hit**  
the other in the face



when





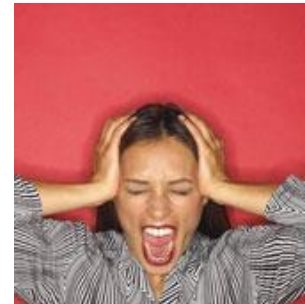
Hear heard heard



She - - - do - - -  
shopping **when** she  
- - - a scream



**when**



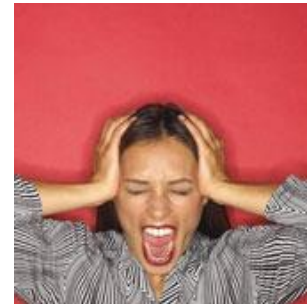
Hear heard heard



She **was** doing shopping **when** she **heard** a scream



when



# Bite bit bitten



she ----- when a  
a dog --- a man



when



Bite bit bitten



she was **running**  
when a dog **bit** a  
man



when



arrive



A robber --- steal--- a  
bank **when** the  
police -----



when





A robber **was**  
stealing a bank  
**when** the police –  
**arrived.**



when



# Remember...

- Preterit be+Ving : conjugation

• I	was	} + Verb + ING
• You	were	
• He/she/it	was	
• We	were	
• They	were	

- Affirmative form (+) He was cooking
- Negative form (-) I wasn't cooking
- You weren't cooking
- Interrogative form (?) Were you cooking?
- Was he cooking?

- Preterit : Ved

- I

- You

- He / she/ it

- We

- You

- They

cooked yesterday

terminaison régulière= ed  
ou verbe irrégulier

- Affirmative form (+) I cooked yesterday

- Negative form (-) I didn't cook yesterday

- Interrogative form (?) Did you cook yesterday?



- **Quand utilise-t-on le prétérit BE + V-ING?**
- **1/--> pour décrire une action en déroulement dans le passé.**
- **Ex: What were you doing last night at 10 o' clock? I was watching TV.**
- **Ainsi vous allez pouvoir jongler simultanément avec le prétérit simple et le prétérit BE+V-ING lorsque vous souhaiterez **opposer action en déroulement et action soudaine.****

Ex: avec WHEN ( quand) ou WHILE (pendant que)

- **I was doing** the washing up when you **knocked** at the door.  
*Action en cours* *action qui interrompt*
- **Je peux inverser les propositions :**  
When you **knocked** at the door, **I was doing** the washing up.  
*action qui interrompt* *action en cours*
- While **I was sleeping**, the telephone **rang**.  
*Action en cours* *action qui interrompt*
- He **arrived** while **I was reading** a very good book.  
*action qui interrompt* *action en cours*

# Quelle est la valeur de « **ing** » ?

- La valeur de « ing » = description d'une action en cours/ commentaire / notion de « déjà »

# Quelle est la valeur de « **ed** » ?

- valeur de « ed » = rupture temporelle (passé) et information simple, sans commentaire