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Create a short dialogue using at least three sentences in the past progressive tense.

"Yo estaba leyendo cuando sonó el teléfono. Mi hermana estaba cocinando en la cocina. Nosotros estábamos esperando a que llegara la pizza."

Provide an example of a sentence using the past progressive tense to describe simultaneous actions.

Mientras yo estaba cocinando, él estaba limpiando.

Which verbs require a spelling change in their gerund form? (Select all that apply)

- A. Leer ✓
- B. Oír ✓
- C. Traer ✓
- D. Comer

Identify the correct past progressive sentences. (Select all that apply)

- A. Nosotros estábamos jugando. ✓
- B. Tú estabas comido.
- C. Ellas estaban estudiando. ✓
- D. Yo estaba leído.

Which of the following are correct gerunds for -er and -ir verbs? (Select all that apply)

- A. Caminando
- B. bebiendo ✓
- C. Hablando

D. Viviendo ✓

How do you form the gerund of an -er verb?

- A. Add -ando
- B. Add -iendo ✓**
- C. Add -ado
- D. Add -ido

Explain the difference between the past progressive and the preterite tense in Spanish.

The past progressive describes ongoing actions in the past, while the preterite describes completed actions.

Which sentence uses the past progressive correctly?

- A. Yo comí pizza.
- B. Yo estaba comiendo pizza. ✓**
- C. Yo comeré pizza.
- D. Yo como pizza.

What is the gerund form of "hablar"?

- A. Hablado
- B. Hablando ✓**
- C. Hablar
- D. Hablé

Which form of "estar" is used for "yo" in the past progressive?

- A. Estoy
- B. Estuve
- C. Estaba ✓**
- D. Estaré

What is the correct past progressive form of "nosotros vivir"?

- A. Nosotros vivimos
- B. Nosotros estamos viviendo
- C. Nosotros estábamos viviendo ✓**
- D. Nosotros vivíamos

Describe a situation where using the past progressive would be more appropriate than the preterite.

When setting the scene in a story, such as "Estábamos caminando cuando empezó a llover."

How do you form the gerund for a stem-changing -ir verb like "dormir"?

Change the stem vowel (o to u) and add -iendo, forming "durmiendo."

What are the correct forms of "estar" in the imperfect tense? (Select all that apply)

- A. Estaba ✓**
- B. Estabas ✓**
- C. Estuvimos
- D. Estaban ✓**

What is the correct past progressive form of "él leer"?

- A. Él leía
- B. Él está leyendo
- C. Él estaba leyendo ✓**
- D. Él leyó

Which of the following verbs have irregular gerunds? (Select all that apply)

- A. Leer ✓**
- B. Dormir ✓**
- C. Ir ✓**
- D. Comer

Why might someone confuse the past progressive with the present progressive, and how can they be distinguished?

Both use "estar" + gerund, but the past progressive uses the imperfect tense of "estar," while the present uses the present tense.

Which verb form is used with "estar" to form the past progressive tense in Spanish?

- A. Infinitivo
- B. Gerund ✓**
- C. Past participio
- D. Present tense

Which of the following sentences describes an action that was ongoing in the past?

- A. Yo fui al mercado.
- B. Yo estaba yendo al mercado. ✓**
- C. Yo iré al mercado.
- D. Yo voy al mercado.

In which scenarios is the past progressive used? (Select all that apply)

- A. To describe completed actions
- B. To set the scene in the past ✓**
- C. To describe ongoing past actions ✓**
- D. To indicate future plans