Past continuous tense



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- Past continuous tense is used
 - for activities that were incomplete and in progress at a point in the past

Past continuous tense

 For making past continuous tense remove 'na' from infinitive and add 'raha', 'rahey' for masculine and 'rahi' for feminine. Then add various forms of verb 'hona' 'to be' (in past).

Subject	Verb root	Verb ending	To be verb (in past)
Ali	so so-na to sleep	raha	thha

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These forms of verb 'hona' 'to be' is used to represent the past tense (masculine)

Pronoun Singular		Corresp verb	•		noun ural	Corresp verb	•
main	I	thh- <mark>a</mark>	was	hum	we	thh- <mark>ey</mark>	were
tum aap	you	thh- <mark>ey</mark> thh- <mark>ey</mark>	were	tum aap	you	thh- <mark>ey</mark> thh- <mark>ey</mark>	were
voh	he/she/it	thh- <mark>a</mark>	was	voh	they	thh- <mark>ey</mark>	were

These forms of verb 'hona' 'to be' is used to represent the past tense (feminine)

Pronoun Singular		Corresponding verb form		Pronoun Plural		Corresponding verb form	
main	I	thh-i	was	hum	we	thh- <mark>een</mark>	were
tum aap	you	thh-i thh-i	were	tum aap	you	thh- <mark>een</mark> thh- <mark>een</mark>	were
voh	he/she/it	thh-i	was	voh	they	thh- <mark>een</mark>	were

How to make

	Infinitive	Without 'na'	Sing. masc. Verb	Sing. fem. Verb
khol- <mark>na</mark>	to open	khol	khol- <mark>raha</mark>	khol- <mark>rahi</mark>
parh- <mark>na</mark>	<mark>to</mark> read	parh	parh- <mark>raha</mark>	parh- <mark>rahi</mark>
kha- <mark>na</mark>	to eat	kha	kha- <mark>raha</mark>	kha- <mark>rahi</mark>
pi- <mark>na</mark>	<mark>to</mark> drink	pi	pi- <mark>raha</mark>	pi- <mark>rahi</mark>

How to make

Infinitive		Without 'na'	Sing. masc. Verb	Sing. fem. Verb
dekh- <mark>na</mark>	<mark>to</mark> see, <mark>to</mark> watch	dekh	dekh- <mark>raha</mark>	dekh- <mark>rah</mark> i
likh- <mark>na</mark>	to write			
bata- <mark>na</mark>	to tell			
keh- <mark>na</mark>	to say			

Different forms of 'raha'

	Singular	plural
Masculine	raha	rahey
Feminine	rahi	rahi

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Different forms of 'raha'

	Singular	plural
Masculine	raha	rah <mark>ey</mark>
	lark <mark>a</mark> kha rah <mark>a</mark> boy eating	lark <mark>ey</mark> kha rah <mark>ey</mark> boys eating
Feminine	rahi	rahi
	larki kha rahi <i>girl eating</i>	lark <mark>ian</mark> kha rahi <i>girls eating</i>

Agreement in past progressive tense

- The verb agrees with the subject in past progressive tense.
- Larka akhbar(m) parh raha thha.
- The boy was reading newspaper.
- Larka roti(f) kha raha thha.
- The boy was eating bread.
- Larki akhbar(m) parh rahi thhi.
- The girl was reading newspaper.

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Proper noun

		Singular	plural
	Masc.	Ali kha raha thha	Ali aur Usman kha rah <mark>ey</mark> thh <mark>ey</mark>
3 rd		Ali was eating	Ali and Usman were eating
person	Fem.	Ayesha kha rahi thhi	Ayesha aur Fatima kha rahi thh <mark>een</mark>
		Ayesha was eating	Ayesha and Fatima were eating

Common noun

		Singular	plural
	Masc.	Lark <mark>a</mark> kha rah <mark>a</mark> thh <mark>a</mark>	Lark <mark>ey</mark> kha rah <mark>ey</mark> thh <mark>ey</mark>
3 rd		The Boy was eating	The Boys were eating
person	Fem.	Larki kha rahi thhi	Lark <mark>ian</mark> kha rahi thh <mark>een</mark>
		The girl was eating	The girls were eating

1st person

		Singular	plural
	Masculine	Main kha rah <mark>a</mark> thh <mark>a</mark>	Hum kha rah <mark>ey</mark> thh <mark>ey</mark>
1 st		I was eating	We were eating
person	Feminine	Main kha rah <mark>i</mark> thhi	Hum kha rah <mark>i</mark> thh <mark>een</mark>
		I was eating	we were eating

2nd person

		Singular	plural
	Masculine	Tum kha rah <mark>ey</mark> thh <mark>ey</mark>	Aap kha rah <mark>ey</mark> thh <mark>ey</mark>
2 nd		Aap kha rah <mark>ey</mark> thh <mark>ey</mark>	Aap kha rah <mark>ey</mark> thh <mark>ey</mark>
person		You were eating	You were eating
	Feminine	Tum kha rah <mark>i</mark> thh <mark>i</mark>	Aap kha rah <mark>i</mark> thh <mark>een</mark>
		Aap kha rah <mark>i</mark> thh <mark>een</mark>	Aap kha rah <mark>i</mark> thh <mark>een</mark>
		You were eating	You were eating

3rd person

		Singular	plural
	Masculine	Voh kha rah <mark>a</mark> thh <mark>a</mark>	Voh kha rah <mark>ey</mark> thh <mark>ey</mark>
3 rd		He was eating	They were eating
person	Feminine	Voh kha rahi thhi	Voh kha rahi thh <mark>een</mark>
		She was eating	They were eating



- Voh keya ker rahay thhey?
- What were they doing?
- Voh T.V. daikh rahay thhey.
- They were watching T.V.

Let's play a game

• Directions: Look at the following pictures for one minute, try to remember the event and then answer the questions.



- Bachchey keya ker rahay thhey?
- What were the kids doing?
- •



- Baavarchi keya ker raha thha?
- What was the chef doing?
- •



- Larkey keya ker rahey thhey?
- What were the boys doing?

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- Bachcha keya ker raha thha?
- What was the kid doing?
- •



- Voh keya ker rahi thheen?
- What were they doing?
- •



- Voh keya ker rahey thhey?
- What were they doing?
- •



- Voh keya ker rahi thheen?
- What were they doing?
- •



- Larkian keya ker rahi thheen?
- What were the girls doing?
- •



- Bachha keya ker raha thha?
- What was the boy doing?
- •



• Bachchey keya ker rahey thhey?

- What were the kids doing?
- •

Indicating possession

- When two pronouns are used, one personal and one possessive for the same person in one sentence, then 'apna', 'apney' and 'apni' are used as possessive pronoun.
- Example:
- Main mairey ghar gya. I went to my house. *
- Main apney ghar gya. I went to my house. 🗸

Examples

- Oos ney ooska kamra saaf kiya. 🗶
- He cleaned his room.
- Oos ney apna kamra saaf kiya. 🖌
- Hum ney hamara kaam kiya. 🗴
- We did our work.
- Hum ney apna kaam kiya. 🖌

- Oos ney ooska kamra saaf kiya.
- Oos ney apna kamra saaf kiya.
- Hum ney apna kaam kiya.
- Hum ney hamara kaam kiya.
- Tum tumharey ghar gaey.
- Tum apney ghar gaey.

Haftey key din/ Days of the week

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday	Sunday
peer	mangal	buddh	jum'eh'raat	jummah	hafta	itvaar

Saal key maheeney/ Months of the year

January	February	March	April	May	June
janwary	farwary	maarch	april	maii	joon

Saal key maheeney/ Months of the year

July	August	September	October	November	December
July	agust	sitammber	aktoober	navamber	dicember