

past: to be

1. Complete with **was / were** or **wasn't / weren't** :

- a. He **was** at home yesterday. He didn't go out.
- b. They _____ at school on Tuesday. They went on an excursion that day.
- c. She _____ outside because it _____ cold.
- d. We _____ at the party and had a good time.
- e. I _____ tired last night so I went to bed.
- f. Where _____ you at 7 p.m. yesterday?
- g. This time last year I _____ in Rome.
- h. She _____ at the cinema. I didn't see her there.

2. Complete the questions to the answers:

- a. When **were you born**?
I was born in 1980.
- b. Where _____ ?
He was at the cinema last night.
- c. Why _____ ?
We were tired because we went to bed very late.
- d. Who _____ ?
She was my sister.
- e. When _____ ?
The birthday party was last Friday.
- f. How old _____ ?
I was 25 in 2001.
- g. _____ ?
Yes, we were in Italy last week.
- h. _____ ?
No, the film wasn't interesting.

3. What was there in the kitchen yesterday? Write the questions and short answers:

KITCHEN

two bottles of milk	✓	a bar of chocolate	✓
a bottle of lemon juice	✗	four kilos of apples	✗
a tin of peas	✗	a loaf of bread	✓
three packets of rice	✓	two packets of sugar	✗

- a. Were there two bottles of milk? Yes, there were.
- b. _____
- c. _____
- d. _____
- e. _____
- f. _____
- g. _____
- h. _____

4. Change the following sentences into affirmative, interrogative or negative:

- a. He was a good student. (**int/neg**)
Was he a good student?
He wasn't a good student.
- b. Were they doctors? (**affirm/neg**)

- c. There was a nice shopping centre. (**int/neg**)

- d. She wasn't an opera singer. (**affirm/int**)

- e. Were there toys at the shop? (**affirm/neg**)

- f. We weren't friends. (**affirm/int**)

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- d. Who **was she**?
She was my sister.
- e. When **was the birthday party**?
The birthday party was last Friday.
- f. How old **were you in 2001**?
I was 25 in 2001.
- g. **Were you in Italy last week**?
Yes, we were in Italy last week.
- h. **Was the film interesting**?
No, the film wasn't interesting.

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- d. Were there three packets of rice? Yes, there were.
- e. Was there a bar of chocolate? Yes, there was.
- f. Were there four kilos of apples? No, there weren't.
- g. Was there a loaf of bread? Yes, there was.
- h. Were there two packets of sugar? No, there weren't.

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 They were doctors.
 They weren't doctors.
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 Was there a nice shopping centre?
 There wasn't a nice shopping centre.
- d. She wasn't an opera singer. (**affirm/int**)
 She was an opera singer.
 Was she an opera singer?
- e. Were there toys at the shop? (**affirm/neg**)
 There were toys at the shop.
 There weren't toys at the shop.
- f. We weren't friends. (**affirm/int**)
 We were friends.
 Were we friends?