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1 Read and complete the Grammar Quest.

Grammar Quest

Past simple – to be

was What Was wasn't Yes wasn't was wasn't

Affirmative

1 I was a teacher.

2 He _____ a writer.

Negative

3 I _____ an architect.

4 She _____ a waitress.

Questions and short answers

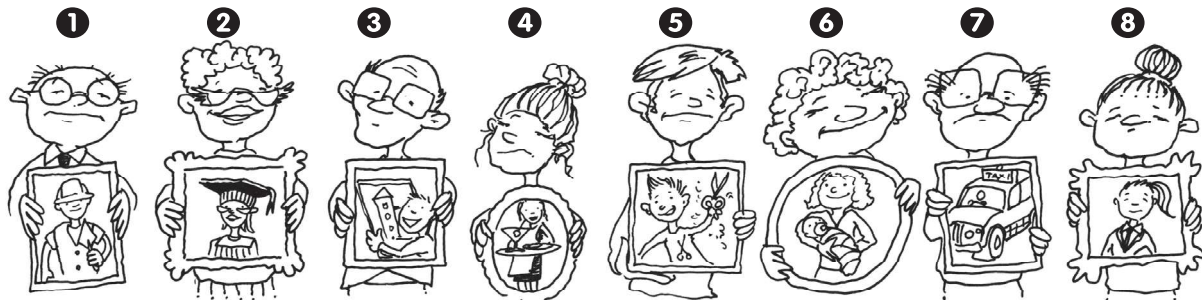
5 _____ was your favourite subject?

6 _____ he an artist? 7 _____, he was. 8 No, he _____.

2 Read and circle the correct word.

- When I **am** / **was** young, I **was** / **is** a hairdresser.
- What **was** / **not** your favourite subject at school?
- When he **was** / **is** young, he **isn't** / **wasn't** a teacher.
- Am** / **Was** he an architect? Yes, he **was** / **wasn't**.
- When she **was** / **am** young, her favourite subject **wasn't** / **isn't** Maths.

3 Look and complete the sentences using *was* or *wasn't*.



- He was a builder.
- She _____ an artist.
- He _____ a businessperson.
- She _____ a waitress.
- He _____ a writer.
- She _____ a housewife.
- He _____ a taxi driver.
- She _____ a teacher.

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1 Look and read the questions. Write the answers.

a family lunch the shops home a football match a birthday party

Peter



Anna



Robert



Sally



David



1 Where was Peter at the weekend?

He was at the shops.

2 Where was Anna at the weekend?

3 Where was Robert at the weekend?

4 Where was Sally at the weekend?

5 Where was David at the weekend?

2 Look at Activity 1. Write sentences using *was* or *wasn't*.

1 Peter / home *Peter wasn't at home.* 4 Anna / lunch _____

2 Robert / football _____ 5 Peter / shops _____

3 Sally / birthday _____ 6 David / birthday _____

3 Read the answers. Write the questions in the past.

My grandpa's favourite things

- 1 *Who was your favourite teacher?* – my teacher, Mr Brown
- 2 _____ ? – History
- 3 _____ ? – fish and chips
- 4 _____ ? – the writer, Charles Dickens
- 5 _____ ? – my rabbit, Buggy

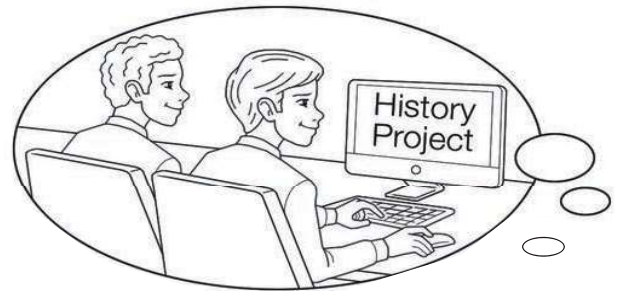


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was / were

Presentation



Hi, Michael. **Were you** at the library yesterday at 10 o'clock?

Where **were you**?

Were you playing computer games?

Hi, Kate. No, **I wasn't**.

I was in the computer room with Ben.

No, **we weren't**. **We were** doing our History project.

Where	was	I	... ?
	were	you	
When	was	he / she / it	
What time	were	we	
	were	they	

It	was wasn't	...
You	were weren't	
He / She / It	was wasn't	
We	were weren't	
They	were weren't	

Remember! wasn't = was not weren't = were not

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Practice

1 Write the dialogue using *was*, *wasn't*, *were* or *weren't*.

Jane: Where (1) was John yesterday?

Fred: I think he (2) _____ at the park with May.

Jane: No. He (3) _____ there. I (4) _____ at the park with May.

Fred: What time (5) _____ you there?

Jane: We (6) _____ there at ten o'clock.

Fred: Look! Here's John. Let's ask him.

Jane: Where (7) _____ you yesterday, John? You (8) _____ at the park.

John: I (9) _____ at the circus. It (10) _____ my birthday!

2 Order and write. Then look and write short answers.

1 your / at / swimming pool / yesterday? / the / Was / sister
Was your sister at the swimming pool yesterday? Yes, she was.

2 Jack and / at / Were / the / beach? / Jim

3 on / Was / the / Saturday? / party

4 clean? / the / Were / dogs

3 Read the answers and write the questions.

1 Where were you yesterday?
 I was at the beach yesterday.

2 _____
 Peter was on holiday last week.

3 _____
 Alice and Sally were at the supermarket this morning.

4 _____
 The concert was last weekend.