

be: Simple past

1 Complete the sentences with *was* or *were*.

- You were at the hockey game yesterday.
- She _____ very tired this morning.
 - Her new shoes _____ very expensive.
 - I _____ born in Seattle in 1978.
 - Mark and Fred _____ at basketball practice.

2 Complete the chart.

Affirmative	Negative
I / He / She / It was fantastic!	I / He / She / It <u>wasn't</u> fantastic!
We / ¹ _____ / they were at the concert.	We / you / they ² _____ at the concert.

3 Where were these people yesterday? Follow the lines to find out, then correct the sentences.

- Livy _____ at the movies
 Mara _____ in bed
 Peter _____ at home
 John _____ on vacation
 Craig and Helen _____ at school
 Paula and Pat _____ at basketball practice

Livy was in the park.

Livy wasn't in the park.

She was at school.

- Mara was at her dance class.

- Craig and Helen were at home.

- Peter was at school.

- Paula and Pat were at work.

- John was at soccer practice.

4 Complete the chart with the time expressions in the box.

at the moment last month
 last Tuesday last week now today
 two years ago yesterday

Present	Past
<u>now</u>	3 _____
1 _____	4 _____
2 _____	5 _____
	6 _____
	7 _____

Question words + *was* / *were*

5 Complete the chart.

Affirmative form	Interrogative form
Were you at the movies?	Yes, I was.
Was she at school?	No, she <u>wasn't</u> .
¹ _____ you at the game?	Yes, we ² _____.
³ _____ they at home?	No, they ⁴ _____.

6 Write the questions in the correct order. Then write the short answers.

TV / on / the show / night / was / last? (✓)

Was the show on TV last night?

Yes, it was.

- you / swimming pool / were / night / at / the / last? (✓)

- your / mom / good / at / math / was ? (x)

- at / school / you and Oliver / on Friday / were ? (x)

- the movie / exciting / was ? (✓)

7 Complete the questions with the question words in the box.

How old When Where Why

Why wasn't he at school yesterday? Because he was ill.

- _____ were you at the weekend? I was at my grandparents' house in Devon.
- _____ was the soccer game? On Tuesday.
- _____ were you in 2007? I was eleven.