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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

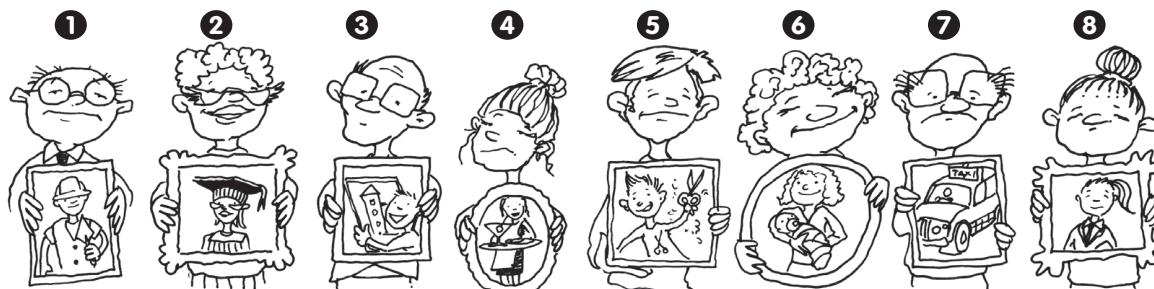
5 _____ was your favourite subject?

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

2 Read and circle the correct word.

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

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



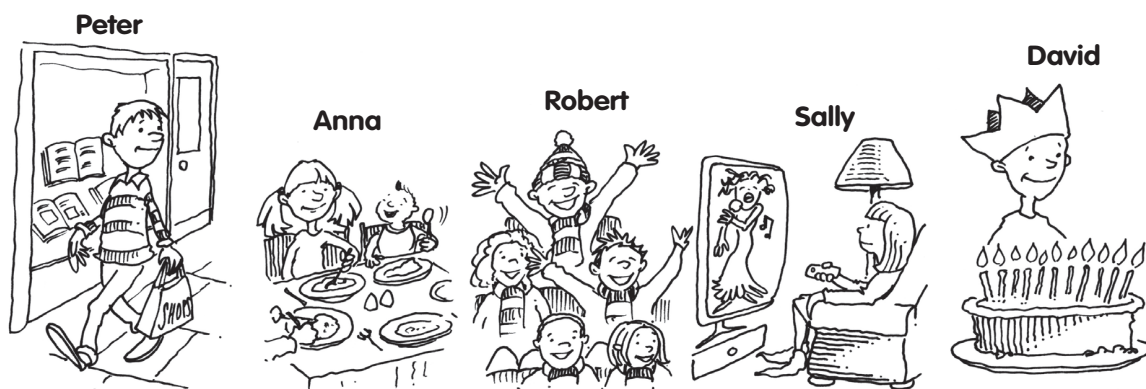
- 1 He was a builder.
- 2 She _____ an artist.
- 3 He _____ a businessperson.
- 4 She _____ a waitress.
- 5 He _____ a writer.
- 6 She _____ a housewife.
- 7 He _____ a taxi driver.
- 8 She _____ a teacher.

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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



- 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.
- 2 Robert / football _____
- 3 Sally / birthday _____
- 4 Anna / lunch _____
- 5 Peter / shops _____
- 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, Bugsy



Level 5

Unit 4

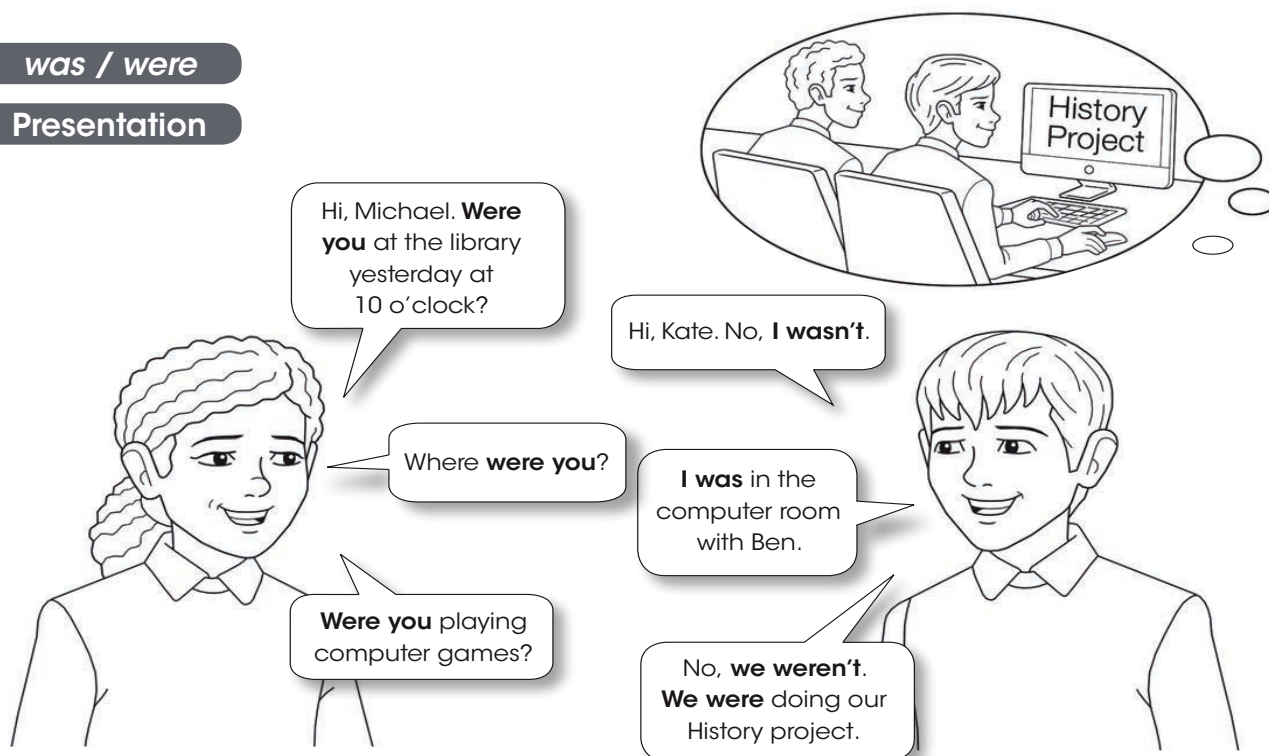
Past Tense of 'be' 3

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was / were

Presentation



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.