

## WAS – WERE

I. Complete with was/ wasn't/ were/ weren't :

1. I \_\_\_\_\_ in Canberra last spring and this year I \_\_\_\_\_ in Rome.
2. We \_\_\_\_\_ at school last Saturday and this Sunday we \_\_\_\_\_ at home.
3. Tina \_\_\_\_\_ at home yesterday, she \_\_\_\_\_ at work.
4. You \_\_\_\_\_ very busy on Friday, \_\_\_\_\_ you busy today?
5. Jessica and Kimberly \_\_\_\_\_ late for school yesterday, in fact, they \_\_\_\_\_ always late.
6. We \_\_\_\_\_ students in 1990, now we \_\_\_\_\_ teachers.
7. He \_\_\_\_\_ in a hurry because there \_\_\_\_\_ a lot of traffic.
8. Last night you \_\_\_\_\_ angry because your girlfriend \_\_\_\_\_ at home.
9. My father \_\_\_\_\_ at work yesterday because he \_\_\_\_\_ on vacation.
10. Trixi and Felix \_\_\_\_\_ my cats, they died 5 years ago.
11. Susan and Betty \_\_\_\_\_ good friends when they \_\_\_\_\_ at school.
12. They \_\_\_\_\_ good at sports, but they \_\_\_\_\_ good at Maths 2 years ago.
13. They like traveling, they \_\_\_\_\_ in London this week?
14. It \_\_\_\_\_ Sunday today, yesterday it \_\_\_\_\_ Saturday.
15. I \_\_\_\_\_ at home, I \_\_\_\_\_ at the gym with some friends.
16. We \_\_\_\_\_ with friends yesterday, we \_\_\_\_\_ alone.

II. Write the questions for these answers:

1. \_\_\_\_\_? He was born in 1916.
2. \_\_\_\_\_? It was sunny and hot.
3. \_\_\_\_\_? She was bad tempered and grumpy.
4. \_\_\_\_\_? I was with my sister.
5. \_\_\_\_\_? They were at the beach last summer.
6. \_\_\_\_\_? The party was great, I was really happy.
7. \_\_\_\_\_? She was happy because it was her birthday.
8. \_\_\_\_\_? My best friend was Andy.
9. \_\_\_\_\_? Her birthday party was last summer.
10. \_\_\_\_\_? John Lennon was from Liverpool

III. Choose the correct verb:

When Albert Einstein [was/were] young, his parents worried about him. Einstein's parents [was /were] concerned that Albert was "slow." Albert [was/ were] a terrible student who didn't want to attend classes regularly and take exams. Einstein's best-known work, the theory of relativity, [was/were] published in 1905. Unfortunately, the theory of relativity [was/were] used to create the atomic bomb.

Charles Darwin [was/were]born on February 12, 1809. He [was /were] a British naturalist who became famous for his theories of evolution and natural selection. In South America, Darwin found that fossils of extinct animals [was/were] similar to modern species. Many people [was/were] strongly opposed to the idea of evolution because it conflicted with their religious beliefs. Throughout his life, Darwin [was /were] a reserved, hardworking scholar.

IV. Correct the letter:

Mark,

Sorry I was home last night. I were at a basketball game. Amanda and Josh was with me. It were really exciting. Where were you on Tuesday afternoon? Susan, Brent, and I are at the soccer game, but you were there. That's too bad. It is really exciting. I'll talk to you soon.

Call me,

Kathy

V. Choose the correct answer:

1. AMANDA: Where were you last night?

KATHY: (A) Yes, I was. (B) Alone. (C) At a movie. (D) For two hours.

2. MARK: Was she at the gym?

STEVE: (A) No, she was. (B) Yes, at the gym. (C) Yes, she was. (D) No, they weren't.

3. KATHY: Where were you?

AMANDA: (A) Sorry I wasn't at a soccer game. (B) At the gym. (C) Mark and I are athome last night. (C) With my husband.

4. JASON: How long were you there?

MARK: (A) Fine, thanks. (B) Yesterday. (C) By car. (D) Four days.

5. JASON: \_\_\_\_\_? MARK: It was cool.

(A) What was the weather like? (B) How was it? (C) How are you? (D) Was the weather cool?

6. JASON: \_\_\_\_\_? MARK: No, I wasn't. I was alone on a tour.

(A) Were you with friends? (B) Where were you? (C) How were you? (D) What movie was it?

7. AMANDA: \_\_\_\_\_? KATHY: It was scary.

(A) How long was the movie? (B) How was the movie? (C) How is the movie? (D) Who was in the movie?

VI. Match the two halves of the sentences:

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| 1. Were you at home yesterday?<br>was pretty bad. | A. No, it wasn't. The music |
| 2. Was Ryan in class yesterday?<br>both there.    | B. Yes, she was. We were    |
| 3. Was the concert good?<br>is a great actor.     | C. Yes, it was. Matt Damon  |
| 4. Was the movie interesting?<br>concert.         | D. No, I wasn't. I was at a |
| 5. Was Susan at the library yesterday?<br>sick.   | E. No, he wasn't. He was    |

VII. Complete the letter:

Hi Everyone,

Last week \_\_\_\_\_ terrible. It \_\_\_\_\_ exam week. My friends and I \_\_\_\_\_ at the library every day. But this week is easy. We \_\_\_\_\_ free to read and relax. No homework, no exams. How \_\_\_\_\_ everyone at home? Mom, how \_\_\_\_\_ your flowers? Beautiful, I \_\_\_\_\_ sure. And Ken, how \_\_\_\_\_ your arm? I hope it \_\_\_\_\_ okay. Remember! Basketball \_\_\_\_\_ just a game. Dad, thanks for the check. My classes \_\_\_\_\_ terrific this year, especially journalism. Send my love to Grandma and Grandpa.

Love,

Judy