

Simple Past: To Be

FORM:	<u>Affirmative</u>	<u>Negative</u>	<u>Interrogative</u>
	I was	I wasn't /I was not	Was I...?
	You were	You weren't/You were not	Were you...?
	He was	He wasn't/He was not	Was he...?
	She was	She wasn't/She was not	Was she...?
	It was	It wasn't/It was not	Was it...?
	We were	We weren't/We were not	Were we...?
	You were	You weren't/You were not	Were you...?
	They were	They weren't/They were not	Were they...?

USE: To use the “**past tense**”, the time you are talking about must be finished and the time it is finished given.

EXAMPLE: *They were on vacation last week. when?*

Fill in the blanks with the correct form of the PAST TENSE of the verb TO BE.

1. I _____ in the same class as Tom last year.
2. Jim _____ absent from school yesterday.
3. We _____ good friends until he moved away.
4. There _____ two books on my desk this morning.
5. The office door _____ left open, but the windows _____ closed.
6. It _____ very cold last night.
7. I _____ thirsty after I ran in the marathon.
8. Last summer the weather _____ very hot.
9. The exercises we did yesterday _____ easy.
10. They _____ tired after they finished running.
11. She _____ happy to receive his letter.
12. My brother and I _____ sick last week.
13. There _____ a strong wind last night.
14. Mary and her sister _____ at the party yesterday.

Using the correct form of the PAST TENSE of the verb TO BE, complete sentences using your own words.

1. Last night, he _____
2. Last month, they _____
3. Yesterday, I _____
4. A few days ago, we _____

Change the following sentences to the negative and interrogative forms.

1. We were in Banff last year.

2. Peter was absent yesterday.

3. There was a party at Mike's on Saturday.

4. The trip to Aunt Martha's was long.

5. The children were sick all week long.

6. Her grandfather was a famous writer.

7. The test was difficult.

8. I was late for class this morning.
