



SIMPLE PAST

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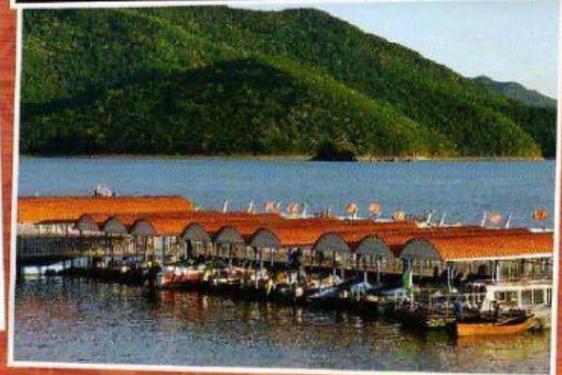
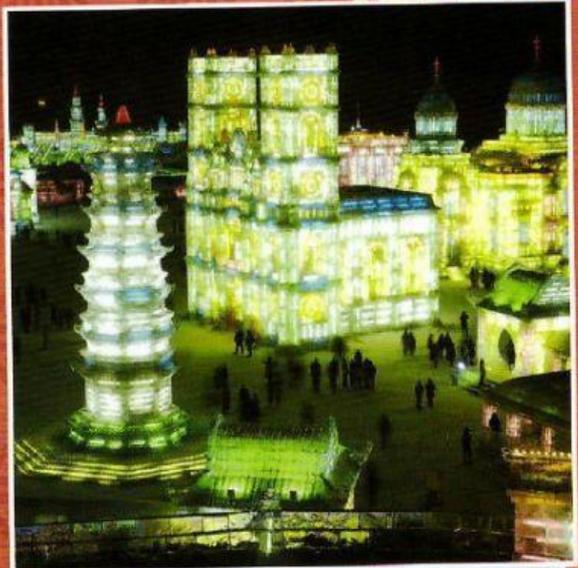


Listen and read.

Every year in Harbin, China, there's a festival of ice and snow. This is the ice city. It wasn't here in fall. Imagine! All these amazing buildings weren't here. This was a field!

The ice is from the Songhua River. It was water in summer! But now, in winter, it's ice. The statues were big blocks of ice and snow. Now they're beautiful sculptures of people and animals.

Harbin is very cold in winter. But in spring, it gets warm. The ice melts. There was an amazing city of snow and ice here. But now it's water again. It wasn't a dream! Come back next winter!



Match the beginnings and ends of the sentences.

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| 1 The river | a were big blocks of ice and snow. |
| 2 The ice city | b was water in summer. |
| 3 The statues | c weren't here. This was a field! |
| 4 The amazing buildings | d wasn't here in fall. |

Read and write was or were.

Dear Grandma,

This is a postcard from the Harbin Ice and Snow Festival.

The festival ¹ _____ great! The weather ² _____
very cold. The ice city ³ _____ amazing. The statues
⁴ _____ beautiful.

We ⁵ _____ very happy. At the end of the day,
I ⁶ _____ tired and hungry.

Dinner at our hotel ⁷ _____ delicious. Our holiday in
China ⁸ _____ great!

Love, Michelle

Read Grandma's email and choose the correct option.

Hi Michelle,

Thank you for your postcard! I was in Harbin
in spring. The weather ¹ **wasn't** / **weren't**

cold. It ² **was** / **were** warm but it ³ **was** /
were rainy. The ice city ⁴ **wasn't** / **weren't**
there! It melts in spring. The statues ⁵ **was** /

were all water again. The river ⁶ **wasn't** / **weren't** ice. It ⁷ **was** / **were**
water, too. But the people ⁸ **wasn't** / **weren't** sad! They can see the ice
again in winter. Harbin ⁹ **was** / **were** very pretty in spring.

Love, Grandma



a Look at the photos of some famous people. Who...

- is a singer?
- makes movies?
- is an actor?
- has a TV show?



b Can you guess their old jobs? Write the names.

- 1 _____ was a clown.
- 2 _____ was a construction worker in Australia.
- 3 _____ was an office worker.
- 4 _____ was a waiter and a DJ.
- 5 _____'s first job was at a newspaper.
- 6 _____ was a dancer on a TV show.

c Listen and complete the sentences to confirm your guessings

1 _____ was an office worker.

2 _____ was a waiter and a DJ.

3 _____'s first job was at a newspaper.

4 _____ was a dancer on a TV show.

5 _____ was a clown.

6 _____ was a construction worker in Australia.

7 _____ and _____ were waitresses.

8 _____ and _____ were salespeople.

d Complete the chart.

Present	Past
1. Hugh Jackman is an actor.	He _____ a clown.
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3.	
4.	
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