

PAST SIMPLE: WAS - WERE

1) MATCH THE SENTENCES HALVES. THEN CHOOSE WITH: **WAS OR WERE**.

- 1 The 2016 Olympic Games d _____
- 2 Argentina and Germany _____
- 3 Laika the dog _____
- 4 Parana _____

- a _____ the capital of Argentina from 1853 to 1861.
- b _____ one of the first animals in space.
- c _____ in the football World Cup final in 2014.
- d were _____ in Brazil.

2) COMPLETE THE SENTENCES WITH WASN'T OR WEREN'T AND THE ADJECTIVE BELOW.

CONFIDENT - NERVOUS - SCARED - UPSET

- 1 The children weren't nervous _____ on their first day at school because their teacher was very nice.
- 2 Adele _____ before her concert, but it was fantastic.
- 3 Only a few people were at my birthday party, but I _____.
- 4 Tim Peake's journey back to Earth was dangerous, but he _____.

3) COMPLETE WITH: WAS – WASN'T – WERE – WEREN'T

In the UK, people ¹ were very excited about Tim Peake's trip into space, but he ² _____ the first British astronaut. The first British astronaut ³ _____ a woman called Helen Sharman. In 1991, aged 27, she ⁴ _____ one of a group of astronauts on a trip to the Russian Mir space station. Together, they ⁵ _____ there for eight days. Helen doesn't know why she ⁶ _____ one of those fortunate people. But she thinks it's because she ⁷ _____ good in a team, and rarely nervous or scared. Those eight days on the space station ⁸ _____ always easy. There were a lot of technical problems. Things ⁹ _____ often difficult for the astronauts. But Helen has only good memories of her time in space. And she's happy that she ¹⁰ _____ part of this important event in history.

