

## PAST SIMPLE (to be)

### I. With “TO BE = WAS or WERE?”

#### Exercise 1. Underline the correct verb:

1. They **was/were** in the Natural History Museum yesterday.
2. Nick **was/were** taken to the hospital early in the morning yesterday.
3. My parents **was/were** very tired after their trip to Newcastle.
4. Helen **was/were** on a ferry boat going to Sweden yesterday.
5. The article in the local newspaper **was/were** very interesting.
6. Those houses **was/were** built two hundred years ago.
7. Last winter **was/were** the coldest winter in our region.
8. Tom **was/were** absent-minded because he had left the keys at school.
9. I **was/were** on a long trip to the USA two years ago.
10. Your e-mail address **was/were** very difficult to remember.
11. My brother's letters **was/were** rather long and interesting.
12. Pamela **was/were** an excellent ski jumper three years ago.

#### Exercise 2. Was or Were?

1. I .....very tired yesterday night.
2. They ..... at the cinema.
3. She ..... angry with her pupils.
4. My mum ..... at hospital last week;
5. The shops ..... open last Sunday.
6. You ..... at home yesterday, where ..... you?
7. .... all your friends at your birthday party?
8. My sister ..... not well last Saturday, so she stayed at home and didn't come with us.
9. The girls ..... at the mall to do some shopping.

10. He..... afraid to miss his bus, so he ..... in a hurry yesterday after school.
11. Why..... you in the Head's office this morning?
12. Linda ..... at home yesterday.
13. ....that man here last night?
14. Those boys ..... absent from class last week.
15. Mrs Toan ..... ill 3 days ago.