

# Past times 9

## Part 1

- **Grammar** Past Simple – *was/were*; Irregular verbs
- **Vocabulary** Saying years; Common verbs (2): *have, do, go*

- **Everyday English** Months and dates
- **Reading** The lottery ticket



Look at the photo. What can you see?  
There's a tram.

### ▶ When was he born?

1 ① 9.1 Listen and repeat.

1840 eighteen forty

1996 nineteen ninety-six

2005 two thousand and five

2017 twenty seventeen

2 ① 9.2 Listen and underline the years you hear.

1 1696 / 1686 2 1916 / 1960 3 2004 / 2014 4 1699 / 1799 5 1840 / 1945 6 2017 / 2071

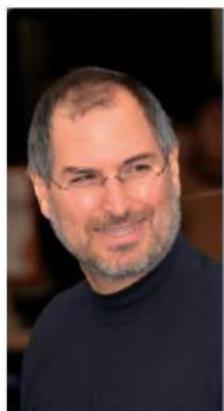
3 What year is it now? What year was it last year? What year is it next year?

### Grammar

#### *was/were born*

Was born – був народжений ; were born- були народжені.

▶ 9.3 Listen and write the years.



**Steve  
Jobs**  
(?-2011)

Steve Jobs, the inventor of Apple Computers, was born in \_\_\_\_\_ in San Francisco, California.



**Amy  
Winehouse**  
(?-2011)

Amy Winehouse, English singer and songwriter, was born in \_\_\_\_\_ in London, England.

9.4 Listen and repeat.

He was an inventor. He was born in ...

She was a singer and songwriter. She was born in ...

9.5 Listen to the questions and answers. Practise them.

When **were** you born? I was born in 1996.  
When **was** he born? He was born in 1983.  
When **was** she born? She was born in 2000.  
When **were** they born? They were born in 2003.

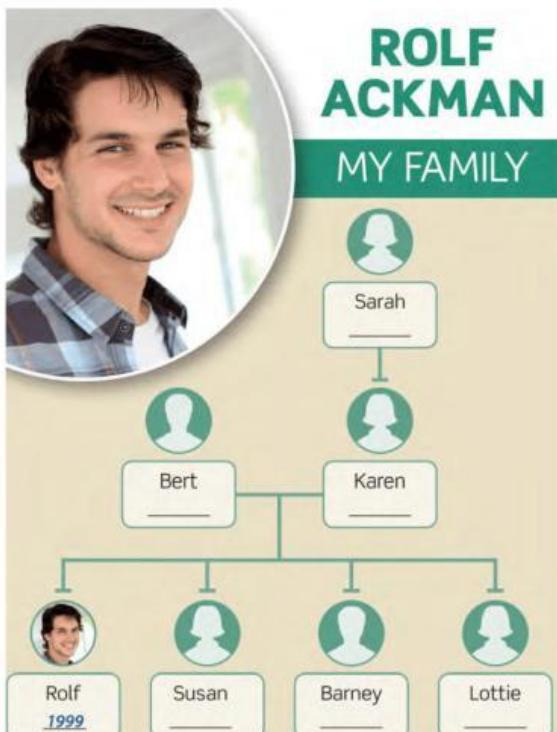


### GRAMMAR SPOT

Complete the chart of the verb *to be*.

	Present	Past
I	am	was
You	are	
He/She/It	is	
We	are	were
They	are	

9.7 This is Rolf Ackman. Listen to him talking about his family. Write when the people were born.



Work with a partner. Ask and answer questions about Rolf's family.

Who's Susan?

She's Rolf's sister.

When was she born?

In ...

Who are Bert and Karen?

They're his ...

When were they ... ?

Watch a video  
about Steve Jobs.



### Talking about you

7 Write the names of some people in your family.

Peter

Olivia

Work with a partner. Ask and answer questions about them.

Who's Peter?

He's my grandfather.

## Practice

Who were they?

9.8 Listen and write when they were born.



1 Neil Armstrong was born in 1930 in Ohio, in the US.



2 Diana Spencer was born in \_\_\_\_\_, in Sandringham, England.



3 Zaha Hadid was born in \_\_\_\_\_, in Baghdad, Iraq.

Who are the people in the photos? Match the people 1–9 and the jobs in the box.

<input type="checkbox"/> princess	<input type="checkbox"/> explorer
<input type="checkbox"/> boxer	<input type="checkbox"/> politician
<input type="checkbox"/> scientist	<input type="checkbox"/> writer
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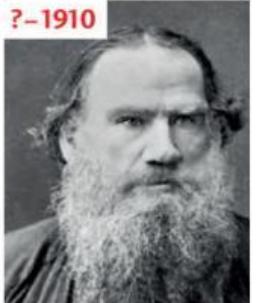
?–2013



?–2016



?–1506



?–1910



?–2016



?–1934

4 **Nelson Mandela** was born in \_\_\_\_\_, in Mvezo, South Africa.

5 **Muhammad Ali** was born in \_\_\_\_\_, in Louisville, in the US.

6 **Christopher Columbus** was born in \_\_\_\_\_, in Genoa, Italy.

7 **Leo Tolstoy** was born in \_\_\_\_\_, in Yasnaya Polyana, Russia.

8 **Carrie Fisher** was born in \_\_\_\_\_, in California, in the US.

9 **Marie Curie** was born in \_\_\_\_\_, in Warsaw, Poland.

40 9.9 Listen and repeat the questions and answers.

**Who was Neil Armstrong?**

He was an astronaut.

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**Where was he born?**

In Ohio, in the US.

**When was he born?**

In 1930.

## Negatives and pronunciation

4 Complete the sentences.

A Steve Jobs was an architect.

B No, he wasn't. He was an \_\_\_\_\_.

A Steve Jobs and Neil Armstrong were English.

B No, they weren't. They were \_\_\_\_\_.

## GRAMMAR SPOT

1 The negative of **was** is **wasn't** (= was not)

The negative of **were** is **weren't** (= were not)

Correct the information.

1 Christopher Columbus was a scientist.  
No, he wasn't! He was an explorer!

2 Zaha Hadid was a princess.  
No, she wasn't! She was an architect!

3 Marie Curie was born in 1919.  
No, she wasn't! She was born in 1867!

4 Diana Spencer and Amy Winehouse were born in the US.  
No, they weren't! They were born in the UK!

5 Nelson Mandela and Neil Armstrong were both politicians.  
No, they weren't! Mandela was a politician, but Armstrong was not!

What is true for you? Tell a partner.

Today is ...	Monday / Tuesday / Wednesday ...
Yesterday was ...	
Today I'm ...	at school / at home / at work ...
Yesterday I was ...	
Today the weather is ...	hot / cold / wet / lovely / horrible ...
Yesterday the weather was ...	
Today my parents are ...	at home / at work ...
Yesterday my parents were ...	