5.3 Grammar

Past Simple *to be* questions and short answers

?	Short answers
Was I at the park?	Yes, I was. / No, I wasn't.
Were you at the park?	Yes, you were. / No, you weren't.
Was he/she/it at the park?	Yes, he/she/it was. / No, he/she/it wasn't.
Were we/you/they at the park?	Yes, we/you/they were. / No, we/you/they weren't.
there was / there were	
Was there a pizza in the fridge?	Yes, there was. / No, there wasn't.
Were there (any) muffins in the fridge?	Yes, there were. / No, there weren't.

1 Circle the correct answer.

1 A: Were you at the bank?
B: Yes, I (was) / wasn't.
2 A: Was Andy sad?
B: No, he were / wasn't.
3 A: Was it cold yesterday?
B: No, it wasn't / weren't.
4 A: Were your friends at your house?
B: Yes, they were / we were.
5 A: Was Anna there?
B: Yes, he was / she was.
6 A: Were you late to work?
B: No, we wasn't / weren't.

2 Complete the questions with *Was* or *Were*. Then write short answers.

1 *Were* you at home last night? ✔ *Yes, I was.*
2 _____ Oliver happy yesterday? ✘ _____
3 _____ you and Ted at the cinema together? ✔ _____
4 _____ all your friends at your party? ✘ _____
5 _____ I the fastest in the race? ✔ _____
6 _____ Katy at school last Friday? ✔ _____

3 Write questions and short answers.

1 Carla / angry yesterday ✘
Was Carla angry yesterday?
No, she wasn't.
2 the muffins / in the fridge / yesterday ✔
_____
_____
3 the muffins / good yesterday ✔
_____
4 the muffins / next to the eggs yesterday ✘
_____
5 the muffins / next to the pizza yesterday ✔
_____



4 Write questions with *there*. Then write short answers.



1 lots of books / in the library
Were there lots of books in the library?
Yes, there were.



2 a funny film / at the cinema
_____
_____



3 a dog / in the shop
_____
_____

*** 5 Write questions and true answers.**

1 you / at school yesterday
Were you at school yesterday?
_____
2 your friend / at the shops last Sunday
_____
_____
3 you and your family / on holiday last week
_____
_____
4 your parents / at home last night
_____
_____
5 sunny / yesterday
_____
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