

# 5 Was / Were



## Language focus

**Was / Were** are the positive past simple forms of **be**. **Wasn't / Weren't** are the negative past simple forms of **be**. Use **was / were / wasn't / weren't** to talk about:

**places:** *We **were** on the beach.*

**feelings:** *Mum **was** tired.*

**people:** *My aunt **was** a film star.*

*I / He / She **was** / **wasn't** hot yesterday.*

*You / We / They **were** / **weren't** in the park all day.*



1 Put the sentences into the past. Use **was** / **were**.

1 There is a small shark, too! **There **was** a small shark, too!**

2 I'm scared! \_\_\_\_\_

3 We're at the beach. \_\_\_\_\_

4 There are dolphins, seals and turtles in the sea. \_\_\_\_\_

5 It's hot. \_\_\_\_\_

6 I'm in the sea in my new swimsuit. \_\_\_\_\_

**2** Make your answers in Activity 1 negative.

1 There wasn't a small shark.

2 \_\_\_\_\_

3 \_\_\_\_\_

4 \_\_\_\_\_

5 \_\_\_\_\_

6 \_\_\_\_\_

**3** Order the sentences in Activity 1 to make a story. More than one order is possible.

1 \_\_\_\_\_

2 \_\_\_\_\_

3 \_\_\_\_\_

4 \_\_\_\_\_

5 \_\_\_\_\_

6 \_\_\_\_\_

**4** Complete the text with *was*, *were*, *wasn't* or *weren't*.

Yesterday (1) was a busy day!

We (2) in the park in the morning. There (3) a football match, but there (4) many goals. Only one! In the afternoon we (5) at my cousin's house. There (6) cheese sandwiches, but there (7) any cake this time. In the evening we (8) at the cinema to see that new film about life under the sea. It (9) very interesting! (10) We all very tired at the end of the day.

