

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. 4 A: Were your friends at your house? B: Yes, they were / we were.
- 2 A: Was Andy sad? B: No, he were / wasn't. 5 A: Was Anna there? B: Yes, he was / she was.
- 3 A: Was it cold yesterday? B: No, it wasn't / weren't. 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 Was Oliver happy yesterday? ✗ _____
- 3 Were you and Ted at the cinema together? ✓ _____
- 4 Were all your friends at your party? ✗ _____
- 5 Was I the fastest in the race? ✓ _____
- 6 Was 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
