

1 GRAMMAR past simple of be

a Circle the correct word.

- 1 This watch was / were a present.
- 2 Was / Were those headphones expensive?
- 3 I wasn't / weren't hungry this morning.
- 4 We was / were at Laura's party last night.
- 5 The teacher wasn't / weren't here yesterday.
- 6 Was / Were you late for work this morning?
- 7 It was / were really cold last night.
- 8 Matt and Alice wasn't / weren't at the meeting last week.

b Complete the sentences with *was*, *were*, *wasn't*, or *weren't*.



A Who's that woman?

B It's Louise Élisabeth Vigée Le Brun.

A Why ¹was she famous?

B She ²was a painter. This self-portrait is in the National Gallery in London.

A ³Was she English?

B No, she ⁴wasn't. She ⁵was French. She ⁶was born in Paris.

A And ⁷were her paintings popular in her lifetime?

B Yes, they ⁸were very popular.

Write questions and answers.



1 Richard Burton and Elizabeth Taylor / actors? ✓

Were Richard Burton and Elizabeth Taylor actors?

Yes, they were.

2 Alexander Graham Bell / artist? ✗ (inventor)

Was Alexander Graham Bell an artist?

No, he wasn't. He was an inventor.

3 Charlotte Bronte / novelist? ✓

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4 Frida Kahlo / pianist? ✗ (artist)

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5 J.R.R. Tolkien and C.S. Lewis / musicians? ✗ (writers)

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6 David Bowie / singer? ✓

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7 Vivaldi and Bach / composers? ✓

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8 Dante Alighieri / politician? ✗ (poet)

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