

2) Complete the text with affirmative and negative forms of **there was/wasn't** and **there were/weren't**.

there was

there weren't

There was

there were

there wasn't

there wasn't

The first marathon

2,500 years ago _____ a war between Greece and Persia and _____ a lot of battles. _____ a big battle in a palace called Marathon, which the Greeks won. This was important news, but _____ any Internet and _____ any telephones. So a man called Pheidippides ran to Athens with the news of the battle. He ran about forty-one kilometres. _____ any good roads, so it was a difficult journey. When he arrived in Athens, he died.



was, were

6. Complete the examples from the Olympics timeline text on page 64. Then complete the rule.

1. Hiroshi Hoketsu _____ a competitor.
2. It _____ in the Olympics until 1988.
3. Golf and rugby _____ events for the first time.
4. Women _____ competitors until 1900.

were

was

weren't

wasn't

RULES

was and **were** are the past forms of **is** and **are**.

7 Complete the sentences using affirmative and negative of **was/wasn't** and **were/weren't**.

In the past...

1 Things _____ different

2 Sports stars _____ richer

3 I _____ younger

4 Everest _____ taller

5 Transport _____ slower

6 People _____ taller

were

was

weren't

weren't

was

wasn't