Was and **were**: affirmative and negative



Neil Armstrong **was** the first man on the moon.



It **was** cold this morning!

Was and **were** are the past simple form of **be**.
We use **was** and **were** to talk about the past.

We often use the past simple with certain time expressions, e.g. *yesterday, yesterday morning/afternoon/evening, last night/week/month/year, on Monday/Tuesday, this morning/afternoon/evening*, etc.

*We **were** in class six last year.*
*She **wasn't** at her piano lesson last night.*

Affirmative	Negative	
Long form	Long form	Short form
I **was**	I **was not**	I **wasn't**
You **were**	You **were not**	You **weren't**
He **was**	He **was not**	He **wasn't**
She **was**	She **was not**	She **wasn't**
It **was**	It **was not**	It **wasn't**
We **were**	We **were not**	We **weren't**
You **were**	You **were not**	You **weren't**
They **were**	They **were not**	They **weren't**

1 Circle the correct option

▶ We **was** / **were** tired last night.

1 I **wasn't** / **weren't** at school last week.
2 You **was** / **were** very kind yesterday.
3 It **was** / **were** cold last night.
4 My parents **was** / **were** at the supermarket this morning.
5 David **wasn't** / **weren't** happy yesterday.
6 We **was** / **were** late this morning.
7 My friends **wasn't** / **weren't** in the park this afternoon.
8 She **was** / **were** at home all day today.

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2 Rewrite the sentences in the past simple.



▶ I'm not at home.

I wasn't at home.

1 They aren't hungry.

2 Lucy isn't here.

3 You and I are very lucky.

4 I'm busy.

5 You're funny!

6 The weather is terrible.

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