

Grammar

it is, there is

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1 Complete the sentences with the correct form of *it* or *there* + *to be*. Remember that some sentences are questions and negatives.

- 1 The journey took hours because
such a lot of traffic.
- 2 I couldn't go out yesterday because
much too cold and wet.
- 3 I really wanted to visit the town centre, but
unfortunately enough time
before the bus left.
- 4 such a beautiful day yesterday
that we went to the beach.
- 5 In some countries quite normal
to eat dinner at 10p.m.
- 6 I think really important to
tip waiters.
- 7 The ballet was so good that a
standing ovation for the dancers at the end.
- * 8 Last night an accident on the
motorway but serious.
- 9 I see a new department store in
town – any good?
- 10 She said a wonderful party.

2 Find and correct the mistakes in sentences 1–8. Tick the sentences that are correct.

- 1 Last week it was quite miserable and it was a lot of rain every day.
- 2 After the presentation it will be a chance for you to ask questions.
- 3 I enjoyed the trip and there was wonderful seeing old friends.
- 4 This is such a dangerous road I think it should be a lower speed limit.
- 5 I was told there would be a taxi for me at ten, but it didn't turn up.
- 6 Everyone says it's certain to be a close match between the two players.
- 7 There's a long way from my flat to the nearest Tube station.
- 8 It's too far for me to walk to the station every morning, but luckily there's a regular bus.