

# WAS/WERE and DID QUESTIONS

## PAST OF TO BE (Was/Were)

To make questions: **Invert** the verb to be

Example: **They were** at home last night

**Were they** at home last night?

With **question words**:

Example: **Where were they last night?**

**BE CAREFUL!**

**NEVER** use the auxiliary **DID** with was/were

## PAST SIMPLE (rest of the verbs)

For the rest of the verbs follow this **order**:

**QW/AUX/SUBJECT/VERB/the rest**

**Did they do the washing up?**

**What did you do last night?**

**Where did your mum go yesterday?**

**BE CAREFUL!**

**ALWAYS** use **DID** when there is a subject

### Exercise 1 Fill the gaps with was, were or did.

- 1- \_\_\_\_\_ Mandy at work yesterday?
- 3- \_\_\_\_\_ they go to Italy last month?
- 5-What film \_\_\_\_\_ Carol watch?
- 7- \_\_\_\_\_ your dog in the garden?
- 9-Who \_\_\_\_\_ she go on holiday with?
- 11-Where \_\_\_\_\_ you buy this shirt?
- 13- \_\_\_\_\_ her friends go to the party?
- 15- \_\_\_\_\_ your TV working yesterday?
- 17- \_\_\_\_\_ there a Café at your hotel?
- 19-When \_\_\_\_\_ you in Canada?



- 2-Where \_\_\_\_\_ they go last Christmas?
- 4- \_\_\_\_\_ he play football yesterday?
- 6-What \_\_\_\_\_ the weather like?
- 8-Why \_\_\_\_\_ you learn Chinese?
- 10- \_\_\_\_\_ the men at the cinema?
- 12- \_\_\_\_\_ your father at home?
- 14-Where \_\_\_\_\_ the children yesterday?
- 16- \_\_\_\_\_ Frank do his homework?
- 18-What time \_\_\_\_\_ Kate arrive?
- 20- \_\_\_\_\_ she have a cup of coffee?



### Exercise 2 Make questions Examples:

Candy was in the park yesterday.



Where was Candy yesterday?

Peter went to London last month.



When did Peter go to London?

- 1-I did my homework last night.
- 2-He went to the cinema yesterday.
- 3-My sister phoned me last Friday.
- 4-Sally was in the office yesterday.
- 5-My parents were at home.
- 6-He didn't come to the party.
- 7-They arrived at one o'clock.
- 8-I bought a new car last week.
- 9-I bought a new car last week.
- 10-Anne was tired yesterday.

What \_\_\_\_\_?

Where \_\_\_\_\_?

When \_\_\_\_\_?

Where \_\_\_\_\_?

Why \_\_\_\_\_?

What time \_\_\_\_\_?

What \_\_\_\_\_?

When \_\_\_\_\_?

How \_\_\_\_\_?



### Exercise 3 Order the questions



- 1-They/did/English/yesterday/study? \_\_\_\_\_?
- 2-at the pub/your friends/last night/were? \_\_\_\_\_?
- 3-Did/Lisa/what/yesterday/do? \_\_\_\_\_?
- 4-he/have lunch/what time/did/? \_\_\_\_\_?
- 5-Brad/visit/when/his brother/did? \_\_\_\_\_?

### Exercise 4 Choose the correct option.

Mary **wasn't/didn't** go to work yesterday. She **wasn't/weren't** well. She **had/have** a big headache and a temperature. She **phone/phoned** the office. Her boss **wasn't/weren't** there so she **could/couldn't** speak to him. She spoke to his secretary. She **feel/felt** very sorry about it but there **was/wasn't** nothing she could do about it. Two days later she **was/were** much happier. She **feel/felt** much better.