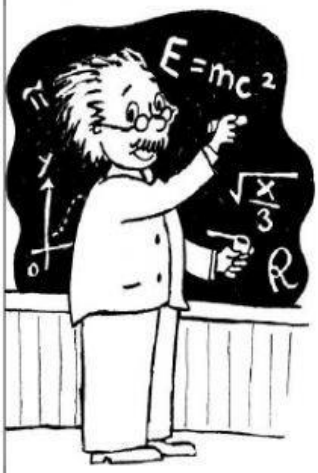
1. Write the verb to be in the past: was or were.



Charles Darwin _____ born on February 12, 1809. He _____ a British naturalist who became famous for his theories of evolution and natural selection. In South America, Darwin found that fossils of extinct animals _____ similar to modern species. Many people _____ strongly opposed to the idea of evolution because it conflicted with their religious beliefs. Throughout his life, Darwin _____ a reserved, thorough, hardworking scholar.



When Albert Einstein _____ young, his parents worried about him. Einstein's parents _____ concerned that Albert was "slow." Albert _____ a terrible student who didn't want to attend classes regularly and take exams. Einstein's best-known work, the theory of relativity, _____ published in 1905. Unfortunately, the theory of relativity _____ used to create the atomic bomb.

2. Complete the letter with the Present Simple or the Past Simple of the verb to be: am, is, are, was or were.

Hi Everyone,
Last week _____ terrible. It _____ exam week. My friends and I _____ at the library every day. But this week is easy. We _____ free to read and relax. No homework, no exams. How _____ everyone at home? Mom, how _____ your flowers? Beautiful, I _____ sure. And Ken, how _____ your arm? I hope it _____ okay. Remember! Basketball _____ just a game. Dad, thanks for the check. My classes _____ terrific this year, especially journalism.
Send my love to Grandma and Grandpa.
Love,
Judy



3. Match the two halves of the sentences with arrows

1. Were you at home yesterday?
2. Was Ryan in class yesterday?
3. Was the concert good?
4. Was the movie interesting?
5. Was Susan at the library yesterday?

a. No, it wasn't. The music was pretty bad.
b. Yes, she was. We were both there.
c. Yes, it was. Matt Damon is a great actor.
d. No, I wasn't. I was at a concert.
e. No, he wasn't. He was sick.

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