

The Case of the Missing Necklace

1. Complete the story with was/were/wasn't/weren't

It _____ a dark and stormy night when Detective Sarah received a call. She was in her office. Mrs. Brown's priceless diamond necklace _____ missing! The police _____ already at the scene when Sarah arrived.

The house _____ in perfect order, except for the empty jewelry box on the dresser. Mrs. Brown _____ very upset and told Sarah that she _____ sure the necklace _____ there when she went to bed.

Sarah noticed that the window in the bedroom _____ open. The curtains _____ moving because of the wind, but there _____ any signs of forced entry. The butler, Mr. Jenkins, and the maid, Clara, _____ in the kitchen when the necklace disappeared. They both claimed they _____ innocent.

However, Detective Sarah found a clue. There _____ muddy footprints near the window! But something _____ right. The footprints _____ too small...

Sarah realized the footprints _____ from Mrs. Brown's cat, Whiskers! Whiskers _____ playing with the necklace under the bed. The necklace _____ really stolen at all!

Mrs. Brown _____ relieved and thanked Sarah for solving the mystery. Whiskers, on the other hand, _____ happy to have her toy back!



2. Complete the questions with was/were/wasn't/weren't. Then answer them.

a) Where _____ Detective Sarah when she received the call about the missing necklace?
_____.

b) _____ the window in Mrs. Brown's bedroom open when Detective Sarah arrived?
_____.

c) _____ Mr. Jenkins and Clara in the kitchen when the necklace went missing?
_____.

d) _____ the footprints too small?
_____.

e) Where _____ the necklace found by Detective Sarah?
_____.

f) _____ the police able to find the necklace before Detective Sarah arrived?
_____.

g) _____ Detective Sarah the one who solved the mystery?
_____.

h) _____ the necklace hidden under the bed by Whiskers the cat?
_____.

i) _____ Mrs. Brown happy after the necklace was found?
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