3.2 Grammar

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+	I was out. She was excited. We were at the zoo.	
–	I wasn't at the shops. She wasn't shocked. We weren't at home.	
?	Were you at the shops? Was it fun? Were they excited?	Yes, I was./No, I wasn't. Yes, it was./No, it wasn't. Yes, we were./No, we weren't.
	Where were you?	
+	there is/are → there was/were	
–	there isn't/aren't → there wasn't/weren't	

Time expressions: *last night/weekend, yesterday, this morning, two days ago, at ten o'clock*

1 ● Complete the text with *was, wasn't, were* and *weren't*.

I [1] *wasn't* at school last week because I [2] _____ on holiday with my parents. We [3] _____ in Spain, on the south coast. We [4] _____ in a very expensive hotel because Dad wanted a cheap holiday! But it [5] _____ nice and there [6] _____ a lot of teenagers there – cool for me! Our hotel [7] _____ on the beach and I [8] _____ in the water every day! It [9] _____ very hot, but the sea [10] _____ quite warm and good for swimming. There [11] _____ an aquarium near the hotel and there [12] _____ some interesting animals! There [13] _____ any sharks or dolphins – just small fish.

2 ● Order the words in brackets to complete the questions.

1 *Were you tired* (tired/you/were) after football yesterday?
2 _____ (your/were/friends) at the party?
3 _____ (Marie/was/class/in) this morning?
4 _____ (shops/were/the) open yesterday evening?
5 _____ (the/was/film) interesting?
6 _____ (was/at/Tim/your) house last night?

3 ● Complete the short answers to the questions in Exercise 2.

1 Yes, *I was*.
2 No, _____.
3 Yes, _____.
4 Yes, _____.
5 No, _____.
6 Yes, _____.

4 ● Choose the correct option.

1 I was *in* / *at* the park this morning.
2 We were *in* / *at* the cinema last weekend.
3 I was *at* / *in* home this morning.
4 Were you *at* / *in* Rob's party?
5 They weren't *in* / *at* the classroom this morning. It was empty.
6 Was she *at* / *in* the concert with you?

5 ●● Complete the dialogue with the correct words.

A: Hi! [1] *Where* were you after school? You [2] _____ at the café.
B: No, I [3] _____. I was [4] _____ the park with my dog. The weather [5] _____ lovely. There [6] _____ a lot of rabbits and she was very happy! [7] _____ Mark [8] _____ the café?
A: Yes, he [9] _____. He was with Sally from Class 5. Later they [10] _____ at the cinema together too! I was there with Jenny.
B: What [11] _____ the film about?
A: It was an adventure film, *Race Against Time*.
B: Ahhh! [12] _____ it good?
A: It [13] _____ very good. I loved it!

6 ●●● Complete the questions.

1 When *were* you in Switzerland? Last week.
2 Where _____ they at lunchtime? In the park.
3 Who _____ you with after school? I was with Jane.
4 What _____ the weather like in Italy? Very hot.
5 What time _____ the film on TV? 7.30.
6 Who _____ on the phone? Carl.

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